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FOREIGN MINISTERS: From left to right, Prince Saud Al Faisal, Saudi Arabia; Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad, Kuwait; Muhammad Boucetta, Morocco; Mochtar Kusumaatmadja, Indonesia; Abdul Hakim Khaddam, Syria; Agha Shahi, Pakistan; Ferook Kaddoumi, PLO and Ahmad Reziuddin, Malaysia.

To steal the show Iran frees hostages as Reagan sworn in

By Fawzi Asmar and Bob Lebling
Washington Bureau

UNITED NATIONS, Jan. 17 — Iran was preparing to release some or all of the 52 American hostages next Tuesday, in an apparently calculated move to divert news media attention from Ronald Reagan's inauguration, U.N. sources have said.

The timing of the release has been described here as an act of "revenge" against Reagan for his recent verbal attacks on Iran, including the charge that Iranians were "barbarians."

Iran expects that release of the hostages Tuesday will preoccupy the international and American press and dominate television coverage, forcing Reagan's planned inaugural ceremony to be relegated to a secondary position.

Meanwhile, Arab News has learned that American military hospital facilities in Frankfurt, West Germany, which was kept ready to receive the hostages for many months now, have been put on alert to receive them.

Current plans call for Iran to turn over the hostages to Algerian representatives in Tehran, who will arrange for their transfer to Frankfurt, sources said.

Meanwhile, Reuters reported that Iranian negotiator Behzad Nabavi said in Tehran that a settlement of the hostages had not yet been reached. He said Saturday the United States had transferred only part of the assets demanded by Iran, the official Pars news agency said.

Iran had announced earlier that it had asked Algeria to arrange transportation in case the hostages were freed, indicating that their release could be imminent.

Pars quoted Nabavi as saying he was told



(Wirephoto) MARTIAL LAW LIFTED: Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos announces the lifting of martial law Saturday throughout the Philippine island in a ceremony at Malacanang Presidential Palace in Manila.

Marcos lifts martial law

By Joe Pavia
Arab News Correspondent

MANILA, Jan. 17 — President Ferdinand E. Marcos Saturday formally lifted the eight-year-old martial law in the Philippines. Over 3,000 people had gathered at the Heroes Hall of Malacanang for the historic occasion. Thousands saw the midmorning nationwide telecast and millions heard Marcos on radio proclaim the end to martial law.

In his hour-long speech, the president told the nation that "the end of martial law did not mean the end of all needed reforms." There will be more tests for our capacity, our resiliency, our strength as people," he said, adding that "together we must pass the tests and surmount all crises."

"We have just begun," he told the Philippines even as he rallied them to assume the militancy of a concerned people in tandem with the social commitment of a responsible

In State of Union Message Carter: Serious problems beset U.S.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP) — President Jimmy Carter has declared that the United States was facing serious problems, "including a growing Soviet 'war machine,'" inflation and unemployment.

In a 76-page message to Congress Friday that amounted to a summary of his deeds in the past four years, Carter warned that Soviet forces "remain in a high state of readiness and they could move into Poland on short notice." The Soviets generally have "built a war machine far beyond any reasonable requirements for their own defense and security. In contrast, our own defense spending has declined in real terms every year from 1968 through 1976," Carter said in his state of the union message.

As for Iran and its U.S. hostages, he reiterated that the U.S. "has no basic quarrel" with Iran, "the threat to them comes not from American policy but from Soviet actions in the region." However, Carter said a "mutually beneficial relationship" between the U.S. and Iran "will not be possible so long as Iran held the hostages."

"We have thus far pursued a measured program of peaceful diplomatic and economic steps in an attempt to resolve this issue without resorting to other remedies available to us under international law," he said. In his message, issued just three days before he leaves office, the president said he firmly believed that "our nation is stronger, wealthier, more compassionate and freer than it was four years ago."

While Carter said he realized that his term



(Wirephoto) HONORED: President Carter places the Presidential Medal of Freedom around Secretary of State Edmund Muskie in a ceremony at the White House Friday. Muskie was one of 15 recipients of the medal.

will end before the 97th congress begins work in earnest. "I hope that my recommendations will serve as a guide for the direction this country should take so we build on the record of the past four years."

The lengthy document was not given as a speech but just sent to Congress. Instead of the usual speech before a joint session, the president gave a farewell address to the nation Wednesday.

In foreign policy, he outlined several goals for the 1980s: building the nation's military strength; resolving international economic problems; improving human rights; and furthering arms control.

Muslims face grave issues Iran urged to participate

By a staff writer

TAIF, Jan. 17 — Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal said the Islamic foreign ministers conference has to tackle a number of grave issues that concern the Islamic world. He predicted the success of the conference and the summit which will follow later in the month despite the absence of Iran and Libya.

Addressing the opening session of the 40-nation gathering Saturday evening Prince Saud said the Iranian - Iraqi conflict was "particularly grave because of its negative complications on the unity of the Islamic nation." He said the conflict may eventually lead to the dissipation of the resources and capabilities of two nations who could be of great service to the Muslims at this juncture of history. He hoped that the ministers will study the dispute carefully so that they may arrive at a peaceful solution to "save Muslim blood."

Prince Saud highlighted the plight of the Palestinian people in the occupied territories where they are suffering persecution and torture by the Israeli forces of occupation which aim at destroying the Islamic character of the people.

He said the Judaization of the holy city of Jerusalem was only one aspect of the master plan of aggression against the Islamic world. Speaking about Afghanistan he called for the complete withdrawal of the Soviet forces from that country and condemned occupation, murder and destruction which caused a massive Afghan refugee problem. He urged the conference to aid the Afghan people, liberate their country to achieve self-determination.

Prince Saud dealt with the need to enhance economic cooperation among the

member states so that they may help each other to achieve integration.

He wished the conference success in drawing up the agenda for the summit and said he foresaw no problems of any kind.

The Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Conference Habib Chatu surveyed the "difficult phase" through which the Islamic world was passing and the risks and dangers facing the Muslims, specially because of the conflicts that rent some members apart. "The Islamic world has been suffering from internal conflicts since its independence from colonial rule," he said.

The meeting, which was concluded Saturday night, will resume Sunday morning.

"The world is awaiting the results of the summit," Chatti said. "We have to study the problems before us and find solutions because the issues to be submitted to the summit will be of crucial importance to the Islamic world."

Chatti expressed regret at the absence of Iran "because the conference would have been a unique opportunity to discuss its conflict with Iraq." He called on the Iranian government to review its decision and attend the conference.

He said the war has gone beyond the borders of the two main parties that it was threatening the Gulf and the world economy. Speaking to reporters before the meeting Prince Saud said he hoped the conference would be a blessing for the Islamic nation and would realize its goals and liberate its occupied lands.

He said there were a number of topics to be discussed to enhance cooperation among the member states. "Although this cooperation is not new" he said "we are working to expand it especially as the conference is being held at a time of historic importance to the Muslims."

Prince Saud said Libya has informed the organization that it would not attend the summit. The proposal to hold the summit was made by the Islamic foreign ministers who met in Fess, Morocco, last year. Saudi Arabia agreed to hold it and invitation were sent to all the member states. He said "If any state fails to attend, it will be entirely up to it," he said. He expressed the hope that all the member states will participate in the summit since this was decided collectively.

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In hospital Bernadette Devlin fights for life

BELFAST, Jan. 17 (AP) — Bernadette Devlin McAliskey, fiery champion of Roman Catholic rights, was fighting for life in hospital here Saturday after she and her husband were shot by terrorists, police said.

The police said they were holding three men, said to be extremist Protestant Red Hand Commando, captured by British troops shortly after the shooting Friday morning. The attack occurred at the McAliskays' remote farmhouse home at Derrylaughan, near Coalisland 30 miles west of here.

A hospital bulletin, issued through the Belfast Police Headquarters, said Mrs. McAliskey, 34, is "very seriously ill" at the Musgrave Park Hospital after her conditions suddenly worsened Friday night.

The hospital is under heavy guard. Authorities fear another murder bid similar to the slaying in hospital of Maire Drumm in 1976. The former vice president of provisional Sinn Fein, mouthpiece of guerrillas of the mainly Catholic provisional wing of the Irish Republican Army, was shot dead by Protestant gunmen who walked into Belfast's Mater Hospital where she was undergoing treatment.

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face of Western recession

Construction companies bring products

By Alan Kenney and Javid Hassan

DDAH, Jan. 17 — As company's deal- in construction materials rush to Saudi...

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The United States has 70 exhibitors putting out an effort to try and regain lost ground in the local market.

Madison said to Saudi Arabia's strong factors include being the largest market today,

most promising stable economic climate and the government's favoring of free enterprise.

According to Ivan Palmeholt, head of the Swedish Trade Council in the Kingdom, said firms will have to devise sharper marketing strategies with specific goals in order to land contracts in the future.

Accordingly, Swedish firms are introducing projects that include digging oil storage caverns in rock which brings cheaper, not prone to sabotage and doesn't spoil the countryside, according to the trade official.

One factor for the higher competition in the construction market is the arrival of Far Eastern companies from such countries as South Korea, Japan and The Republic of China (Taiwan).

Kim said South Korea is now participating in the exhibits as a way to increase exports to the Kingdom. In addition, the country is attempting to increase its joint ventures and the official said the country will consider higher mass production and production of better quality merchandise in order to step up its competitive role in the Middle Eastern export market.

Hanyang Metal Industrial Company, Limited, of South Korea is one example of the competition the country offers. Kim Sang Kyu, manager of Hanyang's Middle East Sales division, said that although his company has been in the Kingdom four years, it now is exporting \$30 million worth of construction material to the Kingdom.

Sang Kyu said that since the new five-year plan calls for maintenance and service, part of his company's strategy is to stand by their work and offer follow up services if required.

Portugal is making its debt after the establishment of full diplomatic relations with

Saudi Arabia last summer. The Portuguese government has lent its financial support to the participating firms. On display at the Portuguese stall are paints, ceramic tiles, every kind of hardware and cork products for insulation.

An interesting exhibit is the cork paper for keeping cigarettes. The cork paper can be put to various other uses, such as wall covering and printing of invitation cards.

A Spanish entry, which evoked keen interest of Prince Saud ibn Abdul Mohsen is the tiles with Islamic motifs. This product comes from Mensaque Rodriguez which, with its experience of 300 years in the field, is the official restorer of Spanish Islamic monuments.

The tiles are embossed and handpainted with the same techniques that the Arabs employed during their domination in Spain. The painting is done with the tail of a mule which serves as a brush. The enamel is then deposited on the tile.

Automobile dealers can view a novel item on display. This is the diagnostic computer being distributed in Saudi Arabia by Modern Machinery. The product, which comes in various sizes, has a price range of SR 28,000 to SR 117,000.

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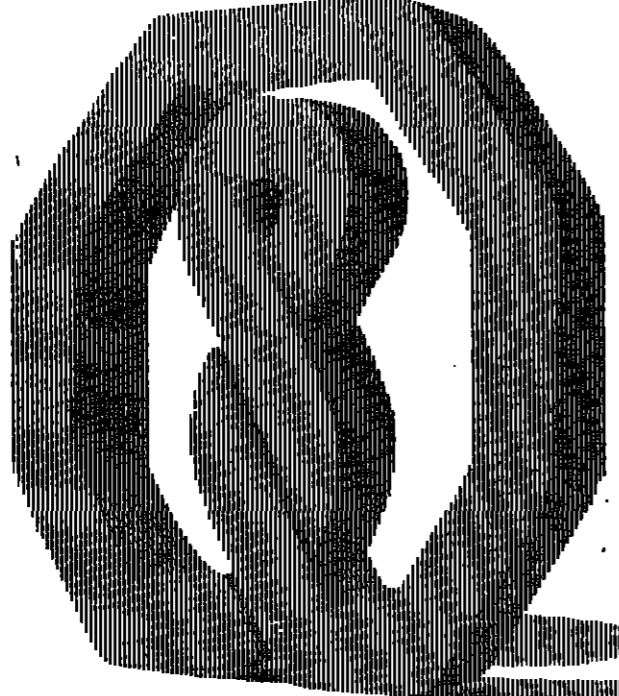
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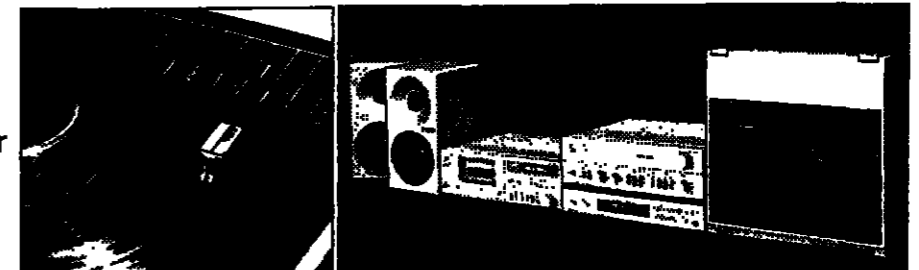
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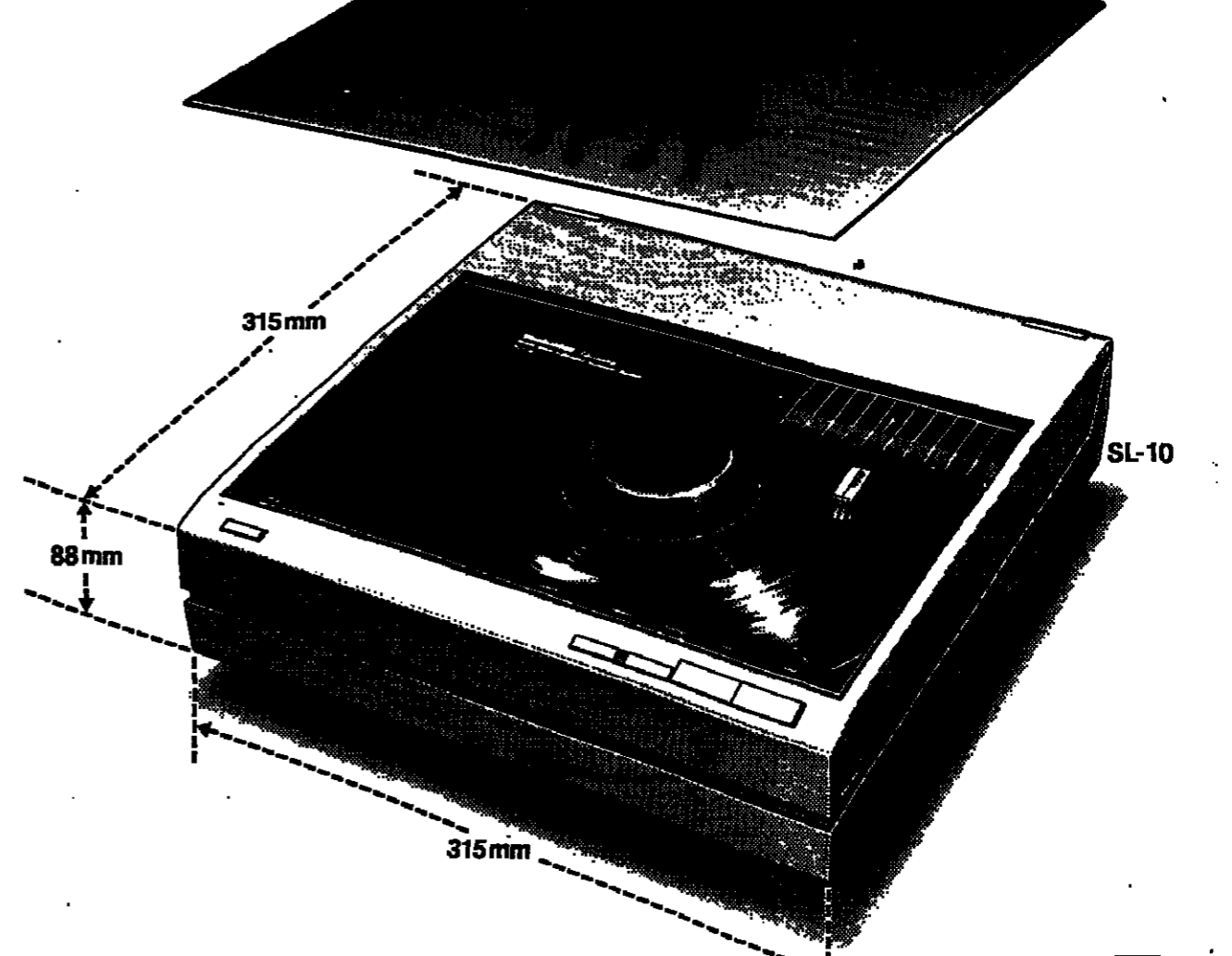
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Surprises Bjorn Borg

Giant-killer Mayer keeps winning run

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (AP) — Giant-killer Gene Mayer continued his masterful play Friday, shocking Sweden's Bjorn Borg 6-0, 6-3 and Jimmy Connors made his way past Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia 7-6, 6-1, in the \$400,000 Volvo Masters Tennis Tournament.

Meanwhile, Jose-Louis Clerc of Argentina handed the tourney's top seed, John McEnroe his third straight loss, 6-3, 6-0, while Argentine's Guillermo Villas outlasted Harold Solomon 5-7, 7-6, 7-5. The result sent Connors against Borg, the world's no. 1 player, and Lendl against Mayer in Saturday's semifinals.

The two battled stroke-for-stroke through the first set, Connors breaking the young Czech in the seventh game. But Lendl broke right back and they fought their way into a tie-breaker, which Connors dominated 7-1. "Just because I have played a good tie-breaker doesn't mean he lost," said Connors. Noted Lendl: "Once I lost the first set I

Fitzgerald advances

PERTH, Jan. 17 (AFP) — Australia's John Fitzgerald scored a shock 2-6, 7-6, 7-5 victory over third seed South African Eddie Edwards in the semi-finals of the Western Australian Open Tennis Championships at Royal Kings Park here Saturday.

Edwards, from Johannesburg, went down after sweeping to a comfortable victory in the first set and appearing assured of a passage into the final. The 24-year-old South African was beaten by Brad Drewitt of Sydney in the semi-finals of the South Australian Tournament a week earlier. Fitzgerald, 20, seeded 13, will meet Syd Ball, who defeated Colin Dibley 6-4, 6-3, in the final.

decided I had to change tactics, but that didn't work. I guess I should have gone back to the first tactic."

Mayer used his precise placement and deft touch to post his first-ever victory over Borg, the world's no. 1-ranked player. In the opening set, Borg appeared to have lost his stroke, hitting numerous unforced errors. But it wasn't the case of Borg losing, it was Mayer winning, the way he has won all week.

Seeded fifth here, Mayer has stopped McEnroe, Clerc and now Borg en route to Saturday's semifinals. Borg also advanced to the semis despite the loss, which left him with a 2-1 record.

The other two players in the group with Borg and Mayer are Clerc, who finished with a 1-2 record, and McEnroe, the tournament's top seed. The other group consisted of Lendl, Solomon, Connors and Villas. Lendl and Connors clinched semifinal berths Thursday.

"I wanted to win the match and I tried my best, but I had nothing to give," Borg said later. "I was a little stiff and very tired and I was always late for the ball. I was never in the match from the first point."

Borg, seeking his second Masters' victory, said his match against McEnroe, the previous night, had left him exhausted and he had only five hours sleep. "A match like that takes a lot out of you both physically and mentally," he said. Mayer, who had dropped all 15 sets to Borg in losing their previous seven matches said he sensed that the Swede was up for the match. He might have been drained after the previous night, "said Mayer, who soared to sixth in the world rankings last year. "He looked defeated and never got his normal rhythm going. But I never know Bjorn, even in a practice match, not to give his all."



BOWS OUT: John McEnroe falls on his hands and knees during his Volvo Masters match against Bjorn Borg Thursday.

Ransley stars in Blazers' victory

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (AP) — Kelvin Ransley was motivated — and it showed. "I played extra hard," said the Portland Trail Blazers guard. "It wasn't that I wanted to rub it in, but I wanted to let the Bulls know that I can play in the National Basketball Association."

Ransley gave the Bulls something to remember Friday night with a 20-point, 13-assist performance for the Trail Blazers. The result was a 113-112 victory for Portland in the game at Chicago. "Ransley really took it to us," said Chicago coach Jerry Sloan. "He beat our defense, especially in that first half. When a rookie gets 13 assists and can pass off so well, you have got to play real tough I keep them from penetrating."

In other NBA action, it was Los Angeles 113, New Jersey 611. Philadelphia 133, Cleveland 119, Dallas 118, New York 110; Seattle 95, Indiana 94; Phoenix 92 Houston 89; Boston 94, San Antonio 85; Milwaukee 118, Kansas City 112 in overtime; Utah 112, San Diego 109 and Atlanta 111, Golden State 110.

With 12 seconds remaining, Ricky Sobers scored to put the Bulls on top 112-111. But the Blazers then inbounded the ball and Owens had a clear shot at the basket from 20 feet.

76ers 12, Cavaliers 119; Julius Erving scored 30 points. It was the seventh victory in the last eight games for the hot 76ers.

Lakers 113, Nets 111: Jamaal Wilkes' jumper with the final buzzer gave Los Angeles its victory over New Jersey as the sagging Nets lost their 14th straight game. The lead changed hands nine times in the final period before Nets forward Maurice Lucas hit two free throws to tie the score at 111 with 20 seconds remaining.

Mavericks 118, Knicks 110: Abdul Jeelani scored all 21 of his points in the fourth quarter as Dallas erased a nine-point deficit to defeat New York. Jeelani, the Mavericks' "fourth-quarter man," also scored 16 in the last period of Dallas' 112-106 triumph over Chicago Tuesday night and also had 20 in the fourth quarter of a 119-111 victory over

Denver on Dec. 26. Sonics 95, Pacers 94: Fred Brown scored 14 of his 24 points in the fourth quarter, helping Seattle tip Indiana and snap a seven-game winning string by the Pacers. A basket by Brown gave Seattle a 95-90 lead with 57 seconds left for the Sonics' winning points.

Suns 92, Rockets 89: Dennis Johnson scored 21 points and Walter Davis had 16 to lead Phoenix over Houston despite a 38-point performance by Rockets center Moses Malone.

Celtics 94, Spurs 85: Robert Parish scored 29 points, including eight in a row to blunt San Antonio's fourth-quarter comeback, leading Boston over the Spurs. The Celtics have now won seven straight games and 19 of their last 20, while San Antonio had its winning streak stopped at three.

Bucks 118, Kings 112: Bob Lanier and Quinn Buckner sparked a 10-point streak in overtime as Milwaukee beat Kansas City. A basket by Reggie King put Kansas City ahead 108-106 with 4:10 left in the extra period, but the Bucks then outscored the Kings 10-0 as Lanier and Buckner scored four points each.

Jazz 112, Clippers 109: Adrian Dantley's only points of the second half came in the final four minutes and 43 second of play and sparked Utah over San Diego. Darrell Griffith

Ardiles dropped

LONDON, Jan. 17 (AFP) — Tottenham manager Keith Burkinshaw has left Argentinian Osvaldo Ardiles out of the side to play London rivals Arsenal at White Hart Lane on Saturday. The world cup midfield star has been omitted after his late return to Spurs from the Gold Cup Tournament in Uruguay. Ardiles has missed nine games by playing in South America and Burkinshaw felt that he would be too tired after his flight on Thursday. Also missing from the Spurs team is Ardiles' fellow Argentinian Ricky Villa who has a knee injury.

Ittifaq prevails over Hilal

By Munir Muhammad Ali

JEDDAH, Jan. 17 — The 15th week of the National Football League saw several surprises Friday. In Dammam, Hilal was beaten by Ittifaq 1-2 and lost the league's lead, while in Hail Ittihad battled Jabalein to a draw, time.

Nasr was also tied by Shabab 2-2, but proceeded to the first position on the league with the point it gained. Nasr was handicapped in the second half of the match as Majed Abdullah, Saudi Arabia's star, had to leave the field because of an injury he received in the first half.

Shabab was the first to score. Brazilian Bruno scored in the 11th minute from a pass by Al-Muajil which was beautifully netted by him. Nasr's Abdullah Abdu Rabu, who joined his team again recently, obtained the equalizer with a powerful shot from outside the 18-meter line, in the 24th minute. Majed Abdullah then converted a penalty to put Nasr ahead. But Shabab equalized in the 55th minute through Khaled Abdu.

Meanwhile, Hilal and Ittifaq played a goal-less first half. Jamal Hamza, Ittifaq's striker,

who was the star of the match scored both goals in the 53rd and 64th minutes. Brazilian Diah scored Hilal's only goal in the 76th minute.

Ittihad was almost beaten by Jabalein in Hail. Jabalein, promoted from Division 'A' this season, has embarrassed several major teams. When playing in its own ground, the team draws strength from its fans.

Ittihad had the upper hand in the beginning which led to a goal in the 12th minute. Amid confusion in Jabalein's goalmouth, Issa Hamdan netted. But Jabalein equalized in 19th minute through Zaid Al-Jarwan. Jabalein scored again, in the 40th minute through Andreas before Hamid Subhi restored parity almost on the call of time.

STANDINGS

Team	G	W	T	L	GF	GA	Pts
Nasr	15	9	3	3	41	28	21
Hilal	15	8	4	3	33	17	20
Al-Hilal	15	7	4	4	24	19	18
Ittihad	15	5	7	3	30	17	17
Qadisiyya	15	7	3	5	23	20	17
Ittifaq	15	6	4	5	24	21	16
Shabab	15	5	6	4	27	24	15
Nabala	15	4	7	4	19	23	15
Jabalein	15	2	4	9	10	31	8
Riyadh	15	1	1	13	6	36	3

Bruce Lietzke is way ahead

PALM SPRINGS, Jan. 17 (AP) — Bruce Lietzke, again dominating the par-5 holes with birdies on all of them, shot a 7-under-par 65 that stretched his lead to a commanding five strokes Friday in the third round of the Marathon, \$304,500 Bob Hope Desert Golf Classic.

This was the key rebound Lietzke said. "I finally had the lead alone with a stellar group behind me and I pulled away." Jack Nicklaus, in strong contention through two rounds, dropped back with a 74 at Indian Wells, where former president Gerald Ford and a large group of show-business celebrities competing in the pro-am section attracted more of the gallery. Nicklaus was 13 strokes back at 209 with 36 holes remaining.

Lee Trevino, also at Indian Wells, had a 70 and a 206 total, 10 under par but a distant 10 behind Lietzke's outstanding effort.

Podborski is champion

KITZBUHEL, Austria Jan. 17 (AFP) — Canada's Steve Podborski won the men's Alpine Skiing World Cup Downhill here Saturday beating Switzerland's Peter Muller. It was the 22-year-old Canadian's third consecutive win this season.

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Varsity Sports

KAAU tops in tennis

By Geoff Gardner
Al-Khobar Bureau

AL-KHOBAR, Jan. 17 — The first event in the newly formed Saudi Arabian University Sporting League, the Saudi Universities Tennis Championships concluded Friday at the University of Petroleum and Minerals courts in Dhahran.

King Abdul Aziz University of Jeddah won top honors in the finals by taking two of three singles and one of two doubles matches from the UPM team. Mecca University won the consolation round by besting King Faisal University of Dammam.

The matches inaugurated the new League, which puts the seven Saudi universities into direct competition with each other in a series of sporting events on a scheduled basis.

UPM's effort was to organize Saudi Arabian universities into a sporting organization," Director of Physical Education and League chairman Colin Joslin, said. "Previously there has been no such annual schedule. This is an organized regular athletic competition."

The seven universities — King Faisal University, King Abdul Aziz University, Mecca University, Islamic University in Riyadh, Medina University, and Riyadh University — have agreed to enter a majority of the events, Joslin said. The season will conclude in May with swimming.

Team events are handball, basketball, volleyball, and football, which will be played at various universities every weekend from Feb. 19-20 until Apr. 9-10. Individual sports are slated for one weekend of play each. Tennis will be followed by cycling at Medina University on Mar. 5, table tennis on Apr. 3-4, track and field on Apr. 16-17, and swimming on May 7-8, will be held at UPM.

In all, there are opportunities for over 650 athletes to compete. The results will be used to help make selections of Saudi Arabian players at international competitions, such as the World Student Games. UPM has been working at setting up the Inter-University League for a year, Joslin said. UPM personnel drew up the skeleton plan then submitted it to the other universities for review and scheduling representatives of the seven schools met at UPM last academic year and gave final approval.

The league year will culminate after the track and field events at UPM's new stadium Apr. 16-17, when the Dhahran University will host a dinner to honor the top teams in each sport with cups, recognize the teams' members, and give awards to the winners of the individual sports.



ALL TENSE: The Yankees wait in their dugout for their turn to go up to bat.

To move to fourth place

Hochtief records second win

By Laurie Thomas

JEDDAH, Jan. 17 — Hochtief began the second half of the season by robbing Whitaker of their unbeaten league record with a surprise 2-1 win Wednesday night.

Hochtief's second league win is also their second surprise. They shocked Saudia 1-0 on December 1, and now move up to fourth place. Hassan was Hochtief's man of the match in a victory that was far easier than the score suggests.

In the other First Division match Dallah Avoo easily downed Lockheed 3-1 and now move level on points with Whitaker at the top of the table. Whitaker and Dallah clash on Monday in what could be this week's top match. Both teams rely more on skill than power and should produce an entertaining match. Lockheed looked to be improving as the season progressed, but this defeat keeps them still on the bottom with one point from three matches.

The question of which is the best team in the Second Division failed to be resolved when contenders Al Hada and NJIA (1) produced a 1-1 draw Sunday night. Strong winds produced a scrappy match in which NJIA forwards failed to take advantage of several scoring opportunities. Whitaker Villa just failed to improve on their own record for the heaviest defeat this season. Their 0-12 drubbing at the hands of Dynasty has only been bettered by their 0-13 pasting by NJIA in November. Villa were weakened by the absence of key defender Mark Rodgers, but surely be looking forward to the relative ease of Third Division football next year.

New comers Toyota made an impressive 1-1 league debut against Zahid Tuesday night Zahid were under-strength and had to rely on a penalty to salvage a single point. Toyota face MJIA on Wednesday and their true strength will be found out then.

Scandinavian Embassy moved off the bottom of the Third Division by grabbing their first league point, holding I.A.L. to a 4-4 draw. I.A.L. looked sharper when play-

ing well but defensive errors allowed an energetic Scandinavia to go from 1-3 down to 4-3 ahead before a header from Amoudi gave each team one point.

A.D.S. crashed 4-0 to A.S.T. and also crashed to the bottom of the league, being without a win so far J. & P. earned an easy two points from Sogex who could not turn out a team on Tuesday night. J & P refused to reschedule the match, as they are entitled to do, and so claimed the points.

As well as the Dallah-Whittaker match, Monday night also sees the clash between the two top Third Division contenders NJIA (2) and J & P both strong attacking teams who are sure to provide an exciting match.

Gyula Sax causes stir

WIJK-AAN-ZEE, Netherlands, Jan. 17 (AP) — Despite some confusion due to late arrivals and the illness of one competitor, the 43rd Annual Hoogovens Chess Tournament got underway with an exciting first round Friday.

Gyula Sax, one of Hungary's youngest grandmasters, caused a stir among the more than 1,000 spectators in the tournament hall when he sacrificed a piece on the 12th move of his game with white against Florin Gheorghiu of Romania.

The Romanian veteran followed a line, from the Sicilian defense that has recently been the subject of much theoretical research in Hungary, and Sax opted for a position that head his companions agreed offered white the best chances. Sax's sacrifice, however, was a complete novelty in tournament practice.

The young Hungarian got the initiative, but then used up too much time in finding a suitable follow-up. Gheorghiu set up a few traps, and while he saw his position improve gradually, Sax exceeded the time limit to lose the encounter at his 24th. In a second time-trouble duel, Jan. Timman, Holland's strongest grandmaster, defeated Sax's countryman Andras Adorjan.

Coaches set the pace

Little Leaguers back to the field

By Jean Grant
Al-Khobar Bureau

AL-KHOBAR, Jan. 17 — The red, yellow, blue and green pennants flapped gaily in the January sunshine at the Northrup playing field in Al-Khobar. The diamond, meticulously raked with pitcher's mound and baselines picked out in white, looked as tranquil as a Zen garden. Not a footprint marked the stippled sand. Then at a shout of "Play Ball!" from Little League President Bob Costa, nine teams of Little Leaguers trotted out onto the field to begin the 1981 Arabian Gulf Little League season.

"The Arabian Gulf Little League," said Costa, "is the only officially sanctioned league in the Middle East." Its 108 players, aged 8-12, come from 17 countries. Their parents represent 49 companies. At the end of the season in March, an all-star team will be chosen to go to Spain to compete in the European Little League district championships. If they meet with success in Spain, the players will go to the Little League World Series in the United States.

Inside their dugout, Manager Cal Svoboda gives his Yankees a pep talk before they jog off to the field for the first inning of the season: "Remember the Little League pledge and do your best." By the end of the inning the Yankees are trailing their opponents, the Angels, 7-0. Visions of Charlie Brown, the comic strip pitcher whose team never wins a game all season dance before their eyes as they nervously chew pink bubblegum.

Learning how to win and lose gracefully is part of sportsmanship that the Little League tries to foster. Veteran coaches like Lou Lozano and Cal Svoboda don't stress the gap when a team is losing or make a fuss when a batter strikes out. Children lose heart quickly when the score turns against them because they haven't had much experience in changes of fortune. Baseball is a good game for them because each inning is a new game in the sense that it starts with bases empty. As soon as the game is over, the coaches of the losing team hustle their kids out onto the field to shake hands with the winners. The kids file past giving each other cheerful slaps on the hands and making comments like "nice game."

Such courtesies are an integral part of every game. "It really upsets me if the kids fight, swear, or show disrespect to the coach or each other," admitted Cal Svoboda, who had just grounded a player for fighting in the dugout. Svoboda, a Czechoslovak war orphan, hopes to return to university to complete his studies as a child psychologist.

"Good sportsmanship," commented Royals Manager Roger Strom, "is one of my own personal goals for my teams. It takes time for them to learn, but every coach hopes that in the end what you have taught the team will be a part of them."

Little League trains a child to be cool-headed as 10-year-old Hyllos Barrett of the Yankees finds out as his time to bat approaches. Setting his shoulders, he takes a deep breath and strides out to the plate, trying manfully not to be riled by the litany of BATTER, BATTER, BATTER, STRIKE! With only a flicker of time to decide whether to take a whack at a ball pitched by James Kenning of the Angels, the youngster gauges right, racks the ball into left field, and hugs second. It is this all-out quality, the determination to give everything one has, which the coaches encourage when they urge the youngsters to HUSTLE NOW.

At the beginning of training before the season's start, the Little Leaguers fidget and fool around. Unable to sit still, a couple hang like caged birds from the wired-in roof of the

dugout. On the field, they consistently over-throw, fumble, and strike out. They are both sassy and spastic as they berate each other in squeaky voices. Pity anyone foolhardy enough to take on the thankless job of instilling in them the character, courage, and loyalty that is the motto of the Little League. A month later the youngsters are no longer an embarrassment to watch. They can bat and they can field. There are even fine pitchers like Chris Glynn of the Astros and competent catchers like Allison Dawson of the Orioles. And their behavior has improved too.

"As a result of his baseball experience," writes Dr. Arthur Esslinger of the Board of Directors of the Little League, "a boy may acquire many of the attributes of a gentleman or a thug." He adds that the "heart of Little League baseball is what happens between manager and boy. It is your manager who makes your program." The Khobar Little League managers see to it that gentleman, and not hooligans, come off the fields. Those who do not live up to the rigors of discipline and fair play are evicted from the teams and replaced by players from the Minor League. The coaches are chauffeurs, guardian angels, and mother hens all rolled into one.

The children often hero-worship these men who can exact high standards of discipline. As any kid can tell you, "Little is fun," and the youngsters will do what they must to play ball.

In this community service, the umpires — Arnie Bias, umpire-in-chief, Jim Freel at 1st base, and John Cronis at 3rd — play an important role. Players and spectators at games are taught to respect all their decisions.

Venezuela takes lead

CARACAS, Venezuela, Jan. 17. (AP) — Carlos Claveri of Venezuela downed John Antonas of the Bahamas 8-10, 6-3, 3-6, 7-5, 6-1 in the opening Davis Cup match here Friday between Venezuela and the Caribbean Tennis Confederation.

In the second singles match, Venezuela's Jorge Andrew won the first set 6-4 over Compton Russell of Jamaica when the match was adjourned because of darkness. The Caribbean Confederation is made up of several English-speaking islands in the Caribbean area.

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Zionism collapsing through internal contradictions

By Christopher Mayhew

Encouraged by developments in the Arab world, a friend of Israel argued with me recently that the Arabs would never be strong or united enough to defeat Zionism. I replied that even if that were true, which I doubted, there was a strong possibility that Zionism would simply defeat itself. The conservatism took place before the publication of two reports which would have strengthened my case. One was from Israel's Central Bureau of Statistics, the other from the Jewish Agency. They helped to confirm my growing feeling that Zionism is well on the way to collapsing through its own internal contradictions.

Some thoughtful and outspoken Israelis say frankly that Zionism has now reached the end of the road. One of them is the editor of *Haaretz*, Gershon Sechockem. He argues that the emigration figures show that the Zionist movement has become a superfluous ana chronism which should be dismantled. He maintains that the steady increase in the influence of religious orthodoxy in Israeli life is a danger to the very existence of the state. It can of course be argued that these apparent symptoms of the collapse of Zionism are purely temporary phenomena. Israel may soon have a new government, somewhat less fanatical, incompetent

and unpopular than the Begin government. There may be fewer scandals in high places. The rate of inflation may decline. Israel may win back some friendship and respect in the outside world. But it is hard to believe that the future of Zionism will be decided by factors of this kind. Zionism became possible and flourished, to the extent that Jewish people were subject to racial persecution. The Jewish state was seen as a haven of racial tolerance in an evil and prejudiced world. Today, however, the scene has changed. It is now fairer to see Israel as a land of racial discrimination in an increasingly multiracial world. When, in addition, most Jewish people can live more prosperous and secure

lives outside rather than inside Israel, the essential purpose of Zionism has vanished. And there is, of course, an equally fundamental and more immediate reason for the widespread collapse of confidence in Zionism. Israelis now see more clearly that because it conflicts with the legitimate rights of the Palestinians, Zionism condemns them to international ostracism, insecurity, ruinous defense expenditure and prolonged military conscription. Future historians may well find it necessary to attribute the decline and fall of Zionism less to its external enemies than to its own internal contradictions.

Hostage trial 'will bring military response'

By Anthony Holden

WASHINGTON — "I don't know. You tell me," said President Carter on New Year's Eve, when asked what response he expected from Iran to his administration's final bargaining pitch. For the first time in the 14-month saga, his voice carried a hint of despair. He seemed to be admitting defeat.

The intractable problem of the United States hostages was the last thing Ronald Reagan wanted to inherit from Carter. It now appears certain that he will. With only a few more days of the Carter administration to go, the 52 Americans in Iran seem further than ever from release.

The United States has gone as far as it can, both legally and financially — further, on all the evidence, than public opinion would like. The Iranians remain unimpressed. There was never any question of America's meeting the demand for \$24 billion to be handed over in Algiers. "Half-a-billion per hostage," declared one Congressman, "is a crude and extortionate ransom demand."

President-elect Reagan first denounced the Iranians as "kidnappers" and "criminals." Next day they were "barbarians."

"Yes," said his transition chief, Ed Meese, reassuring a nervous press corps, "he had put a lot of thought into the choice of those words." They suggest a dramatic change of American attitude after Reagan is sworn in on Jan. 20.

Carter officials flinched when they heard the language used by Reagan. "I'm not sure," said one, "that such talk is going to be very helpful." But this is precisely the attitude of which the country has now had enough. Diplomatic restraint is regarded as a spent force.

Reagan himself has offered no hint of his plans. But members of his embryonic foreign policy staff make one thing perfectly clear. Putting just one of the hostages on trial, let alone an execution would mean an immediate, as yet unspecified, U.S. military response. One of Reagan's military advisers, retired Gen. Daniel Graham, has already publicly suggested the mining of all Iranian harbors — an option considered and dismissed by Carter in the

early weeks of the crisis. The hostages' second New Year holiday in captivity re-aroused all the old passions which had, very slightly, sagged since the election. Each of the three television networks paid Iran some \$40,000 for 60 minutes of shaky film, in which 42 of the hostages could be identified. Many did not speak. Some seemed to be in zombie-like condition. There was no word of the other 10.

Carter's final set of proposals caused outrage. They were, technically, modest enough: the transfer to an Algerian account of some \$5 to \$6 billion, to be released when all the hostages were in Algerian hands. The money, about half the total value of the frozen Iranian assets in the U.S., undeniably belongs in law to Iran. But Washington was surprised at how far Carter was prepared to go.

Members of the incoming, much-changed Congress again denounced him for responding to blackmail. "Short of military action, Reagan's first tactic seems likely to be blank defiance. They should be told," says one conservative academic on the transition team, "to do what the hell they like with the hostages. They are Iran's problem, not ours. We must put them on the defensive, rather than continuing to let them push us around."

A high-risk strategy, but one which takes due account of current political fighting in Tehran. There is a consensus among Reagan's advisers that traditional methods of diplomatic negotiation have been proved fruitless. "First," says the same academic, "there is no one to negotiate with. Second, even if someone emerges, someone else will contradict them."

Yugoslavs attack censorship

By Peter Ristic

BELGRADE — A petition calling for an end to censorship and guarantees of a free press has been sent to the Yugoslav parliament by the nine members of the editorial board of *Javnost*, the planned political magazine which was refused a publishing license in November. The nine suggest that district attorneys should only receive copies of publications after distribution and circulation instead of immediately after printing and before distribution.

Rather than risk losses from a ban and seizure without a copy being sold, printers now exercise a form of self-censorship. Before this system was imposed by a 1973 law, printers were bolder and bannings averaged 10 a year. Now there are only one or two.

The petition on censorship is the latest move in the fight against the refusal of a publishing license for *Javnost*, a magazine designed to offer an open forum for the discussion of current issues.

There have been at least three open letters from members of the editorial board — which pledged

the magazine to a democratic and Socialist viewpoint — in reply to the attacks in the press on the application to publish and the magazine's proposed platform. All the letters have been sent to Yugoslav newspapers which carried the attacks, but none has published them.

The first open letter came from the two co-editors of the proposed magazine, writer Dobrica Cosic and philosopher Ljubomir Tadic, in reply to the Socialist Alliance — a socio-political organization which stated its view in advance of the ban by the Serbian Secretariat for Information.

The public attack on the application was "dear and public evidence of the ideological and political monopoly of the media," the two said. The two also ironically refer to the alliance's attack on the foreign press for reporting the *Javnost* story — long after the Yugoslav newspapers had been informed but failed to take any notice.

In another open letter Ljubomir Tadic, who was barred from teaching at the University of Belgrade six years ago, took issue with Stane Dolac, the only leading politician to make a public attack on the application to publish.

ONLY WAY FOR SURVIVAL

Hammad Abu Rabiya, who was killed in Jerusalem recently, is one of the few Arab members of the Knesset, Israel's parliament. He was a tribal chief who threw in his lot with Israel's Labor coalition. All in all, he was a "model Arab" as far as the Israeli establishment was concerned.

First reaction to his assassination must be that it was a punishment for a collaborator. But the story is not so simple. Abu Rabiya's last fight was for the land of his tribe, threatened with confiscation, "for military purposes" by that same Israeli establishment he had served so well.

And that fight took him far across the boundaries permitted to "good" or "model" Arabs. In fact, it took him to an organization which the Israelis have particular reason to abhor: Al Ardh (The Land). This was set up by the Palestinians who remained within the 1948 boundaries of the state, with the specific purpose of confronting legally and through political pressure Israel's constant attempts to expropriate their lands.

Just before he died, therefore, and perhaps too late, Abu Rabiya came to learn the lesson which the vast majority of the Palestinian people have learned much earlier: That the Palestinians can get nowhere through collaboration, that their only chance to survive as a people is in confronting the enemy by all the means available.

And this means that his killers might turn out to be not Palestinians angered by his former collaboration but the Israelis themselves, whether through their official secret services or the "informal" gangs of Zionist killers aided and abetted by them.

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Saudi Arabian Press Review

Newspapers headlined the Islamic Foreign Ministers' conference beginning in Taif Saturday, and preparations for the Islamic summit conference. They said the foreign ministers will concentrate on the issues of Jerusalem Palestine, Afghanistan, the Mecca Declaration, human rights and the Iraq-Iran war.

Newspapers gave front-page coverage to Islamic Foreign Ministers' praise of the Kingdom's role in boosting the power of Islam. They also frontpaged a reported U.S.-Iranian accord on the release of U.S. hostages.

Newspaper editorials commenting on the Islamic Foreign Ministers' conference, said Islamic meetings would derive their inspiration from the place in which they are being held and that the conference is not only a media event to repair the bridges among the Islamic states, but it is also a pressing necessity to build a new force effective enough to enable the Islamic world to overcome the present crucial stage. The editorials referred to the significant topics to be discussed in the conference and expressed the hope that Muslims would be able to realize their aspirations through these meetings.

In an editorial, *Al Medina* noted that the foreign ministers' conference is being held to pave the way for the upcoming Islamic summit conference. The conference is significant because of two factors: first it coincides with the birth anniversary of the Prophet Muhammad and, second it is being held in the vicinity of the house of God, the most sacred

place on earth, the paper said. It hoped the foreign ministers would make a sincere study of the issues to be able to clear the atmosphere and restore the bridges of love, cordiality and solidarity among the peoples of the same faith.

Al Riyadh also reaffirmed that the foreign ministers' conference is a pressing necessity to create a new and effective force for Muslims in a world torn with rifts and dissensions. The paper described the meeting as historic and urged it to rise to the level of grave responsibilities.

On the same subject, *Al Yam* stressed the importance of the topics to be discussed by the foreign ministers, saying that the Islamic world earnestly hopes the conference will pave the way for the summit to enable it to adopt effective resolutions on the restoration of Islamic solidarity and Muslim rights. The paper referred to the anxious attitude of every participating country and said it was indication enough that the conference was on its way to becoming an historic event.

In a commentary on the Islamic summit, *Okaz* observed that the solution of problems now facing the Islamic world and aborning all enemy attempts at the Islamic states would be symbolic of an actual begging of Islamic efforts toward the liberation of Jerusalem, the restoration of the rights of the people of Afghanistan and the complete withdrawal of the Soviet forces from that Islamic country. The papers said that, while the summit's task would be to

bring together the Arab and Islamic force, the worldwide support for Islamic rights would ensure world peace based on equity and justice.

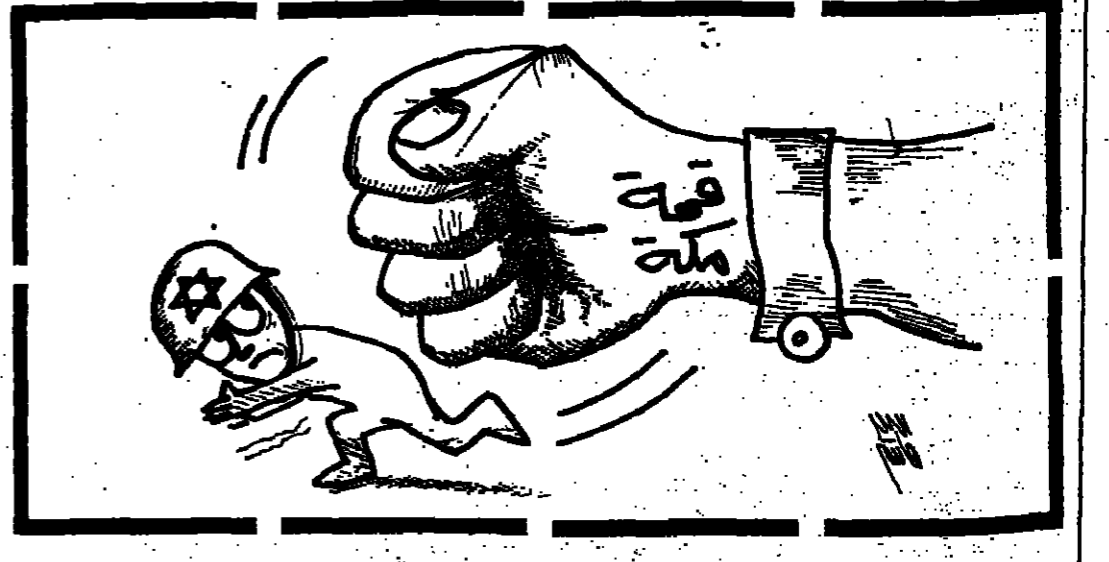
Commenting on similar lines, *Al Jazirah* observed that preparations for this historic conference have not been confined to official efforts only, but the popular circles at different levels have exerted efforts toward its preparation. The paper said further that the convening of the summit in Saudi Arabia is the fruitful result of great many efforts exerted by the country's leadership at world level in general and at the Islamic level in particular, for the sake of Islam and Muslims of the world. The favorable response from world leaders is itself strong evidence of their admiration of the pioneering role being played by the Kingdom at world level and in the service of Islam and Muslims, the paper added.

In an editorial, *Al Bilad* called upon the leaders of the Islamic world to fulfill the aspirations of the Muslims by liberating the sacred places from the Zionist sacrilege. The paper emphasized the fact that what has been taken by force can be regained only by force, and the same fact is enshrined in the call of Crown Prince Fahd for the holy war. The paper gave prominence to the trust Saudi Arabia carries in calling for Islamic unity and solidarity, and said that the foreign ministers' conference and later the Islamic summit conference are the fruitful results of the Kingdom's enduring efforts all through the past years.

Al Nadwa felt confident that the foreign ministers

are conscious of their big responsibility at the present juncture. The paper said the sufferings of the Islamic world urge the exertion to extensive efforts to plug dissension and to resolve differences. It added that Islamic unity and solidarity provided the

only solution to solve the problems of the Islamic world. If the Islamic foreign ministers succeed in eliminating differences, the Muslims would find an opening for the treatment of all their issues on correct and sound basis, the paper added.



The force that the Islamic summit would be

The Organization of the Islamic Conference (Part 8)

The rise of Turkey through centuries

By a special correspondent

ANKARA — Turkey for the first time will attend the Islamic summit conference, to be held in Mecca, and will be represented by the prime minister. Turkey's Islamic history goes back to the ninth century. When the

It is the only member of the conference to have become a member of the International Energy Agency, founded by western countries as an alternative to OPEC. It is also the only member state which does not belong to the nonaligned movement; it is also the only member state to be in NATO. While Islamic states are contemplating an Islamic common market, it is the only member state which is trying to join the European Common Market. Despite its secular character, the leaders of Turkey are intent on maintaining good relations with the Islamic states, especially with the oil-producing ones. From the political point of view, Turkey wants the Muslims' backing in its dispute with Greece. From the economic point of view, Turkey is in trouble because its oil importing bill is a heavy burden.

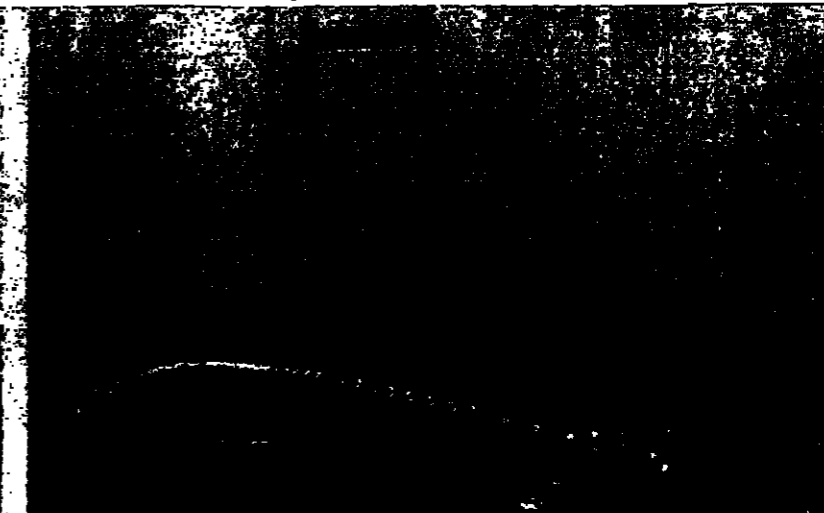
However, the Turkish government is planning to break up existing state monopolies to create a more diversified economy between the public and private sector, Deputy Prime Minister Turgut Ozal said.

"While the state economic enterprises have been of assistance to the development of our economy in earlier years, through time they have lost their momentum and the diminishing contribution evolved in such a manner that the claims of these enterprises have eventually become a burden for the Turkish economy," Ozal told Arab News.

He added that the frequent changes of government and political attitudes during recent years had further contributed to the enterprises declining productivity, until their burden on the economy had now reached unbearable proportions. Most state enter-



Pictures from left to right: Turkish Prime Minister Bulent Uysu; Ulucatni (Grand Mosque) in mid Anatolian city of Konya and the Bosphorus bridge which connects Asia to Europe.



prises — and even some of the investing institutions of the government itself — had begun to employ workers and other staff at levels that were out of proportion to what could be economically or commercially justified for the value of production, said Turkey's foremost economical official.

In many cases the goods and services manufactured or provided by these enterprises had been sold at prices far lower than those prevailing under realistic market conditions, and often fell below actual costs, he added.

"So you see, both the investments and the deficits of such enterprises have had to be financed through budgetary means and Central Bank resources. It is in order to put an end to these uneconomical practices and claims on the economy, and to stop the frequent resorts to treasury resources, that prices have not been rationalized for a major part of their manufacturers," Ozal said.

Efforts are being made, according to the Turkish official, to hold down the prices of products essential to the basic needs of the people. But even here it has been necessary to define pricing more in line with prevailing

market costs and world prices.

"I must nevertheless stress that much more has yet to be done, additional far-reaching measures are needed to reduce the burden of the state economic enterprises on the economy to enable the productive ones among them to better contribute to the country's economic development."

With stability now being secured in the country by Turkish Armed Forces, Ozal said he is confident that foreign investors would be more willing to investigate development opportunities in the changed economic climate. Under the new legislation on 'Collective Bargaining, Strike and Look-out Law' all rights and benefits for the workers would be satisfied to the extent of present economic possibilities he said.

Ozal added that trade unions will continue their activities in conformity with democratic principles. But no opportunity will be given those "who wish to exploit the honest Turkish workers, or influence these workers in the direction of their own ideological viewpoints, or abuse the rights of organized labor."

"Successful implementation of the Program of Stability will be achieved through free interplay of market forces, progressive improvement of the entrepreneurial capabilities of our people and through their freedom of employment," he said.

The deputy prime minister said the worst problem is still inflation and that times will get harder before they get better, and he warned of further belt tightening. He said that breakthroughs on economic problems will come only if efforts are applied for the next four or five years. "The principle aim of these efforts is to reduce and finally eliminate the structural discrepancies in our economy, and thus to restructure it in a manner that would enable better adjustment to the changing economic conditions of the world," he added.



A mosque overlooking the Golden Horn in Istanbul.

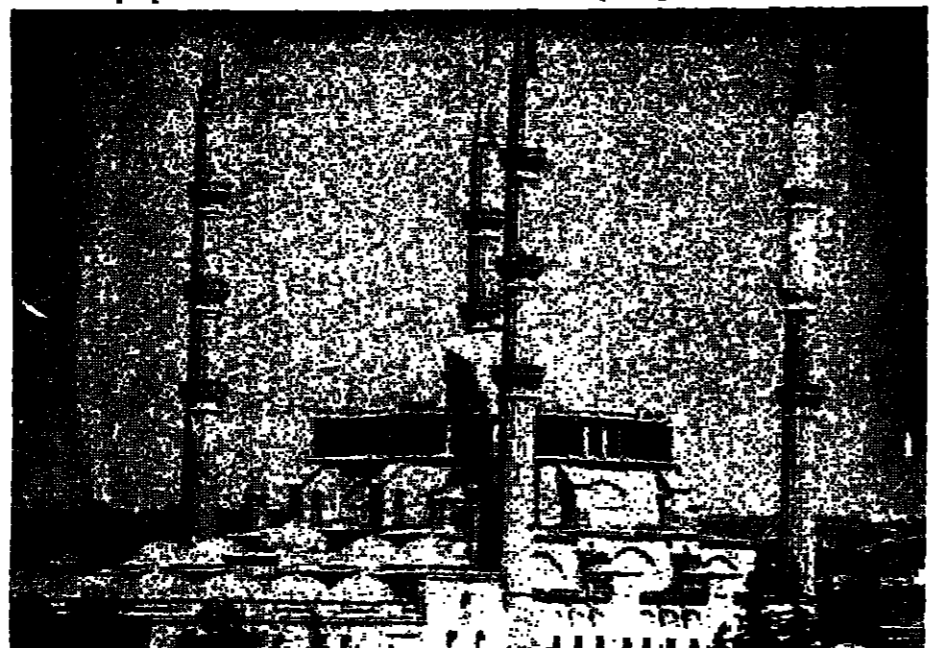
The Ottoman empire was founded in 1299, Islam came the official religion. The Ottomans read Islam wherever they went.

In the 15th century, Tuvuz Sultan Selim assumed the post of caliph when he conquered Egypt. And after then every Sultan of the Ottoman empire became automatically caliph. In 1924 the first president of the Turkish republic Mustafa Kemal Ataturk abolished the caliphate.

In the first constitution of the republic, the caliphate was declared a secular one, and the religious and state affairs were separated.

Although 98 per cent of the population is Muslim, Turkey remained secular. In 1969 Turkey was invited to the Islamic foreign ministers' conference in Rabat. It accepted the invitation and sent its foreign minister as an observer only.

The government, which wanted to establish friendly ties with Islamic states decided to utilize the invitation. From 1969 Turkey has attended every Islamic foreign ministers' conference as an observer. It hosted the foreign ministers' conference in Istanbul in 1976. The following year it submitted a draft resolution to parliament to become a full member, but the parliament shelved it. Thus Turkey has remained officially an observer, but with the approval of the member states it is acting as a full member.



Suleymaniye mosque, built by the Sultan Suleyman the Great in Istanbul.

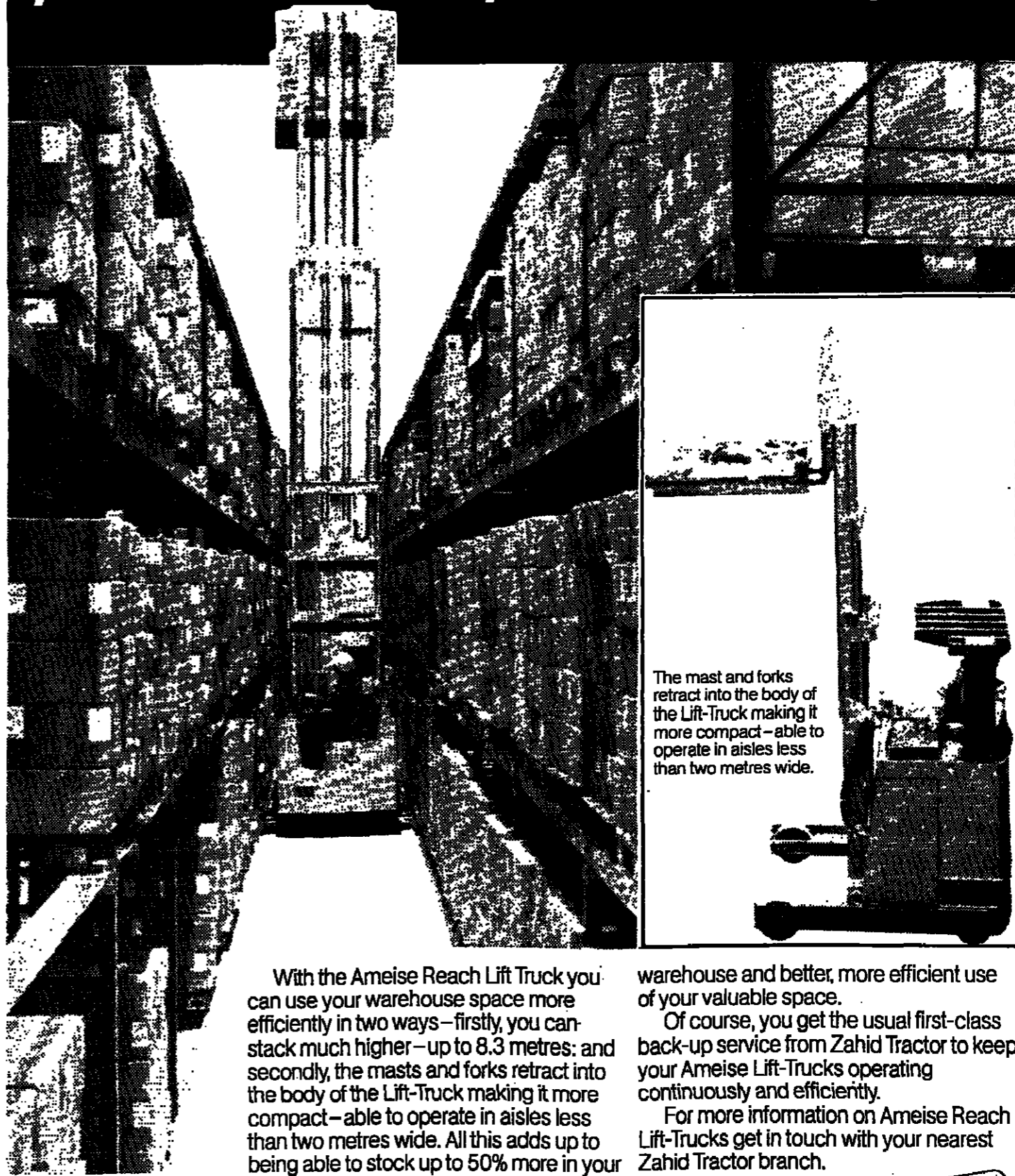
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Seoul's proposal

U.N. seat for Koreas sought

UNITED NATIONS, Jan. 17 (Agencies) — South Korea's U.N. Ambassador Suk Heun Yun argued here Friday that both North and South Korea should be admitted to membership in the United Nations.

Addressing a news conference, he called attention to South Korea President Chun Doo Hwan's broadcast proposal last Monday that he and North Korean President Kim Il-Sung exchange visits.

The ambassador said the proposal aimed at providing "a decisive momentum to restoring national trust, easing tensions on the Korean peninsula and paving the way to a peaceful reunification of the country." He said Kim had not yet responded to it.

Yun said he had sent a letter to U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim Tuesday notifying him of President Chun's proposal without asking that the letter be circulated to

U.N. members. South Korea's application for admission to the United Nations, last renewed Sept. 12, 1974, "still stands." He said both North and South Korea, which now have only observer status here, should be made full members.

South Korea, which first applied for U.N. membership in 1949, has been vetoed

Nixon objects delivery of tapes for Haig probe

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP) — Richard M. Nixon moved through his lawyers Friday to block delivery to the U.S. Senate of a log of Nixon tapes for an investigation of Alexander

repeatedly by the Soviet Union. North Korea has failed to get the necessary majority in the Security Council.

Meanwhile, South Korea's Democratic Korea Party (DKP) Saturday nominated conservative opposition politician Yoo Chi-song as its presidential candidate to run against President Chun Doo-Hwan in next month's election.

Haig's conduct in Nixon's Watergate defense.

Herbert J. Miller, Nixon's chief lawyer, sent a formal objection to the national archives against delivering the log subpoenaed by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. "The main objection is that Congress has no authority to subpoena these records," Miller said in an interview. "It's a constitutional question," he said. "If Congress can go running willy nilly through the files of former presidents, it would be exceedingly difficult to run the government."

Miller said President Jimmy Carter has also formally objected to turning minutes on National Security Council meetings on Iran policy over to the Senate Committee.

The Senate committee Thursday endorsed Haig's confirmation as secretary of state by a vote of 15 to 2 but has agreed to continue its effort to get the Nixon tapes and other records.

If the national archives rejects Nixon's objection, his lawyers will have an additional five days to file suit against delivering the log to the senate committee. A court battle would prevent the committee from getting the log, much less Nixon tapes themselves, for months or years.

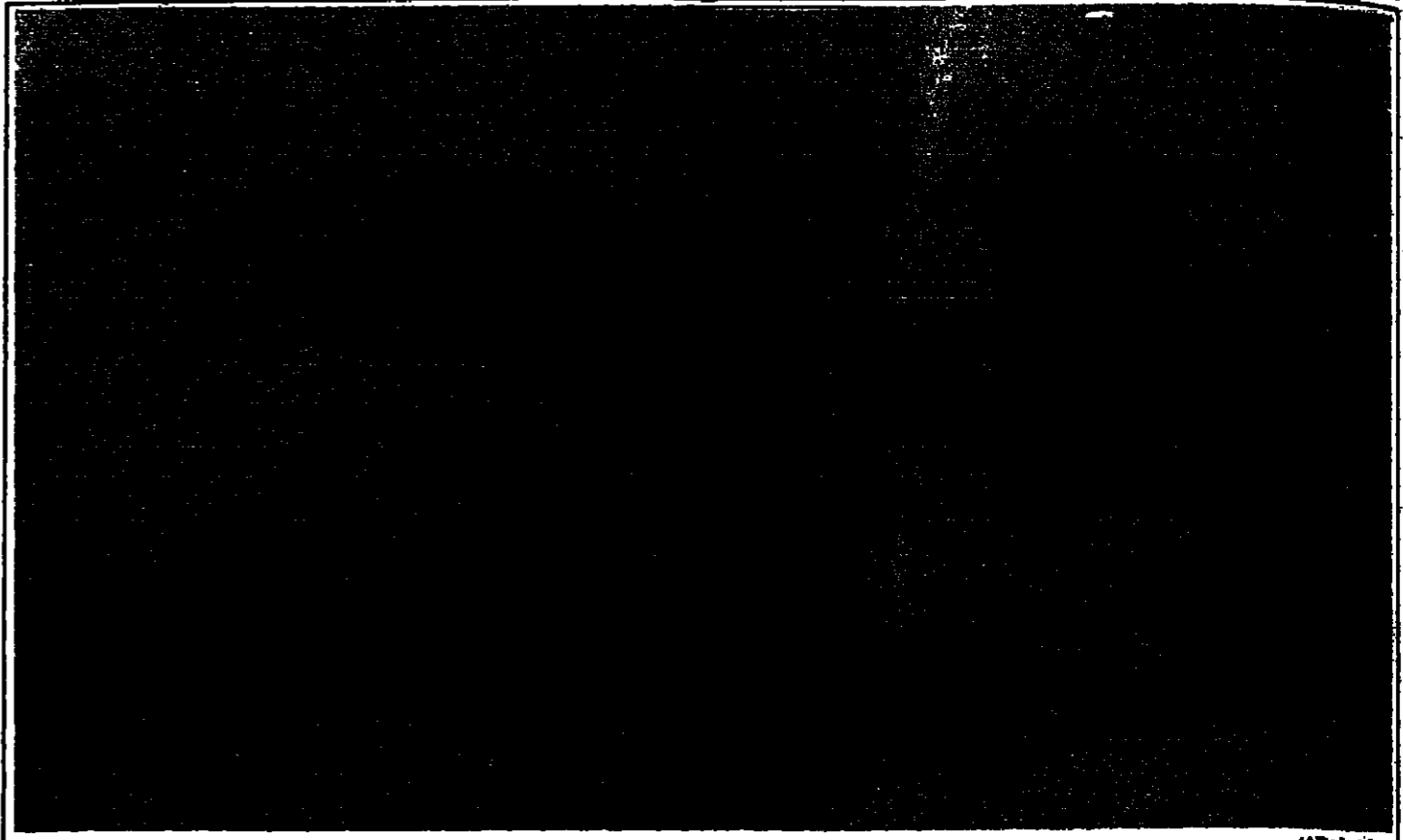
Miller filed the objection Friday night after the archives' counsel, Steve Garfinkel, rejected Miller's request to extend the deadline to next Friday.

The log subpoenaed by the committee consists of 680 pages of detailed notes on 338 taped conversations between Nixon and Haig between May 4 and July 12, 1973.

Haig had just become Nixon's chief of staff at that time and part of his job was to help Nixon deal with the Watergate allegations and impeachment proceedings by the house judiciary committee.

Karamanlis in hospital

ATHENS, Jan. 17 (AFP) — Greek President Constantine Karamanlis underwent surgery here Saturday for a minor abdominal hernia. The operation on the 73-year-old head of state was successful and he is expected to leave the Evangelismos Hospital within six days, presidential sources said.



USEFUL WASTE HEAT: Waste heat of this soft coal power station, some 20 miles southwest of Cologne, has been diverted to a useful destination since hot houses went up in the neighborhood about a year ago, on a test basis. The test proved successful, and the company plans to enlarge the hot house area. The waste heat used for the hot houses has about 29 degrees C.

Submarines for Taipei

Netherlands ignores Peking warning

THE HAGUE, Jan. 17 (AP) — The Dutch government Friday stuck by its decision to let a Rotterdam firm sell two submarines to Taipei despite strong warnings from Peking that diplomatic relations would suffer.

Premier Andries Van Agt told reporters after the weekly cabinet meeting that jobs provided by the order from the Republic of China outweighed possible diplomatic or economic reprisals.

The government gave conditional approval Nov. 29 to the Rijn-Schelde-Verolme Ship-

yard for the \$500 million deal, which also covers the supply of components for power stations and gas liquefaction plants. Parliament approved the cabinet decision in December by a 76-74 vote but is expected to debate the matter again next week following the Chinese warnings.

China has told the Dutch embassy in Peking that diplomatic contacts between the two countries will be downgraded to liaison offices working under a charged d'affaires if the deal is not dropped.

Answering a question, Van Agt said he felt the sharp Chinese objections were "in large measure" a signal to the incoming Reagan administration against improving relations with Taipei. U.S. President-elect Ronald Reagan has suggested he would seek closer ties with Republic of China, which Peking considers a Chinese province.

The shipyard, which has not yet signed a contract for the deal, says the project would provide four years employment for about 1,000 workers.

Times staff to choose future owner

LONDON, Jan. 17 (AP) — Journalists on *The Sunday Times* were given a ballot form Friday with the names of five possible buyers and asked to indicate their preference for a future owner, a spokesman for the paper said.

The Sunday Times, along with *The Times* of London and three specialized supplements, were put up for sale last October by Canadian Millionaire Lord Thomson, who has been losing money and struggling with union difficulties for some years.

Among the five names was that of Australian newspaper tycoon Rupert Murdoch, who was being touted in the British

press Friday as front-runner, a report the newspapers dismissed as "just another rumor." The others were James Goldsmith, owner of *News* magazine and the French news magazine *L'Express*; Robert Maxwell, owner of Pergamon press, who has openly declared his desire to buy the papers Lord Rothermere, chairman of Associated Newspapers which publishes *The Daily Mail*, and the Lorrho group, a British industrial conglomerate.

The ballot was described by the spokesman as "a fall-back position for Evans in the event that his own scheme for buying *The Sunday*

Times comes to nothing." Harold Evans, newspaper editor, has organized a coalition to buy *The Sunday Times*, backed by leading business interests and supported by a top merchant bank.

The *Times* titles are due to close in mid-March if a buyer is not found. On Thursday, six members of parliament raised an objection to possible purchase by Murdoch, who already owns *The Sun* and *News of the World*, saying it would violate anti-monopoly laws.

Dugal Nisbet-Smith, managing director of *Times* newspapers, said there is still more than one potential buyer.

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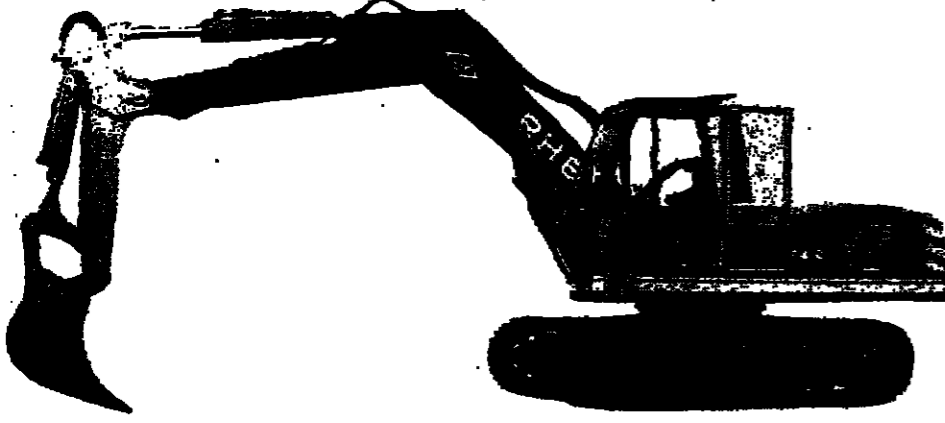
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Supporters urge Nkomo to resign

SALISBURY, Jan. 17 (R) — Demonstrators called for Joshua Nkomo to pull out of Zimbabwe's coalition government when the Central Committee of his PF-ZAPU party met Saturday to discuss his demotion in a cabinet reshuffle. Nkomo lost the Home Affairs portfolio and was shifted to the innocuous Public Service Ministry in changes announced by Prime Minister Robert Mugabe a week ago.

Other banners in the demonstration organized by PF-ZAPU said: "Don't get emasculated" and "Neo-colonialist government — get out of it."

Nkomo has strongly objected to his demotion. He accused Mugabe of violating agreements that the two coalition partners, PF-ZAPU and the prime minister's majority ZANU-PF, should share security portfolios.

The Home Affairs Ministry controls the paramilitary and civilian police. In the reshuffle it was given to Richard Hove, a member of ZANU-PF, which now controls all organs of real state power in Zimbabwe.

"Out — no compromise," said one banner carried by a demonstrator at the hall where the 150-man committee began its meeting.

Aboard airplane

U.S. tests laser

ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico, Jan. 17 (AP) — A laser-beam weapon that could transform warfare into something out of "Star Wars" has been tested aboard an airplane for the first time, the U.S. Air Force says.

"I'm satisfied that we have in fact passed a very significant milestone," Air Force Secretary Hans Mark said Thursday at Kirtland Air Force base here. "We can now think about shooting down the other fellow's missiles without using nuclear warheads."

A Kirtland spokeswoman said researchers fired up the equipment aboard the aircraft, but "we didn't actually propagate a beam... so in that sense we didn't actually fire the laser (at a target)."

The laser eventually may be mounted on a satellite that will be able to pick off enemy missiles from outer space, Mark said. And some time in the future, the laser technology may be incorporated into a small weapon for

use by foot soldiers, he said.

The tests, conducted Wednesday and Thursday, gave the United States a leg up on the Soviet Union, Mark said.

They were conducted aboard a four-engine NKC-135 jet on the ground. While the laser had been fired from the ground before, even shooting down target missiles, it had never before been used while mounted on an airplane, Mark said.

The next step, which could come within months, is to fire the laser from an airborne NKC-135, he said. Mark declined to say what problems have cropped up during the tests, but said, "I don't see any technical problems that are in the way."

A laser is a narrow, intense beam of light produced when atoms are stimulated to high energy levels. The one tested this week "sounded like a jet engine going," Mark said.



RESCUE OPERATION: The motor vessel Ucnstena (left) is stuck in ice off Nantucket island, Massachusetts, as the coast guard tug boat Yankton tries to break a path around the vessel. The ferry was heading for the mainland.

Detained without trial in Delhi

British woman wins case

NEW DELHI, Jan. 17 (G) — The Indian Supreme Court has issued a writ of habeas corpus to a British woman, Mrs. Francis Coralie Mullin, who has been detained without trial in Delhi's Tihar jail for more than a year.

Mrs. Mullin was served with a detention order Nov. 23, 1979, on suspicion that she had tried to smuggle hashish out of the country. At that time, she had already been in jail for two months. The order was made in terms of the Conservation of Foreign Exchange and Prevention of Smuggling Activities Act (COFEPOSA). Unfair and incorrect use by Indian customs of this catch-all piece of legislation has been highlighted by the Supreme Court on several occasions when ordering the freeing of detainees. In one case, the Supreme Court had to rule that COFEPOSA could not be used unless a detainee was allowed the constitutional right of making a representation against the detention.

In Mrs. Mullin's case, the court declared as "unconstitutional and void," a provision spe-

FDA urges curbs

on ulcer drugs sale

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (R) — The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has proposed withdrawing from the U.S. market 18 prescription drugs which, it said, have not been shown effective in treating stomach disorders such as ulcers.

Many of the drugs were widely used, especially lizium which was among the top 200 most frequently prescribed medicines in the United States, a spokesman for the federal government agency said Friday. The drugs, most of which combine a sedative with treatment for gastrointestinal disorders, were prescribed mainly for treating ulcers and "irritable bowel syndrome," usually brought on by stress, she added.

Many of the drugs are marketed abroad under various trade names. The FDA has no control over such foreign sales.

Dacca army delegation meets Peking leader

PEKING, Jan. 17 (AP) — A Bangladesh goodwill military delegation has met with Chinese Vice Premier Geng Biao for talks on further developed Sino-Bangladesh cooperation, China's official Xinhua news agency reported.

Xinhua said Maj. Gen. Mozzaniel Hossain, Commandant of the Bangladesh Defense Services Command and Staff College, told Geng Friday his nation would constantly strengthen its armed forces for the sake of the country's peace and security. The delegation was to leave China Saturday. Xinhua said. It said the group had visited China's military academy and air and ground force units.

Castro foes stalled

MIAMI, Jan. 17 (AFP) — American coastguards and FBI agents said Saturday they intercepted seven anti-Castro Cuban militants preparing to sail for Cuba Friday in a 10-meter boat carrying an arsenal of weapons. The seven were from the Alpha-66 group which has claimed 30 sabotage acts in Cuba, and the arsenal comprised small arms, bombs and grenades, officials said.

Greece, U.S. to discuss future status of bases

ATHENS, Jan. 17 (R) — Greece and the United States will open talks here Jan. 27 aimed at reaching agreement on the future status and operation of American military bases in Greece, Foreign Minister Constantine Mitsotakis said here. Greece will submit supplementary proposals next week to be discussed in Washington, together with a plan submitted by the Greek government last month, the minister said.

He added that there were insurmountable difficulties in the way of concluding an

agreement. The Greek proposals are based on an agreement initialled in 1977 which gave Greece \$ 700 million in U.S. aid over four years in return for the bases.

Mitsotakis said this and similar agreement between Greece and Turkey will be taken into consideration during the talks. He said the new agreement will incorporate all provisions so far in force concerning operation of the bases. There are four major American military installations in Greece, two in Attica and two on the island of Crete.

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U.S., Algerian aides disagree on gas price

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP) — U.S. and Algerian energy officials broke off talks aimed at reaching a price agreement on imported Algerian liquefied natural gas, but the two sides said progress had been made and the meetings would resume later.

Ed Vilade, a spokesman for the U.S. energy department, said Friday the negotiators had issued a joint statement saying "progress was made on several outstanding issues."

Vilade said no date was set for resuming the negotiations, however, and it seems unlikely that any agreement could be reached in the three days before Ronald Reagan becomes president.

The dispute over the price of the Algerian gas has been going on since last April, when Algeria halted the bulk of shipments of the gas and demanded a price of nearly \$8 per thousand cubic feet. At the time, the price was \$3.43 per thousand cubic feet.

A report by the General Services Administration has said the boost to \$8 could cost the United States nearly \$3.5 billion annually if Canada and Mexico made similar price demands on gas they export to the United States.

The United States had been paying \$4.47 per thousand cubic feet for Mexican and

Canadian gas, but this week Canada boosted its price to \$4.94, effective April 1, and Mexico hiked its price to \$4.82 retroactive to Jan. 1.

Also at stake in the impasse, however, is a multi-million dollar U.S. investment in liquefied natural gas. Since the halt in the LNG shipments, six huge tankers built at a cost of \$100 million have been sitting idle, and the El Paso Co., the major investor in the LNG project, reported an 85 per cent drop in earnings.

Critics of the LNG project, chief among them Senator Howard Metzenbaum, have said the negotiations were little more than a Carter administration effort to bail out the American companies involved.

There have been reports that Algeria and U.S. energy officials were near accord on a price, but the energy department has said little about the talks, including what price range U.S. negotiators were offering to pay.

Vilade said the chief U.S. negotiator, Assistant Energy Secretary Leslie J. Goldman, and Algerian representative Sadek Boussena had agreed not to discuss the talks publicly until they were completed.

The round of talks that ended Friday began on Jan. 12. They were the sixth in a series of meetings aimed at setting a new price.

Price dispute prompts Libya to cut gas supply to Italy

ROME, Jan. 17 (AP) — Libya has suspended natural gas shipments to the Italian state-owned energy company Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi since last September because of a price dispute, ENI sources said.

Until the cutoff, Libya was Italy's third-largest supplier of liquefied natural gas after the Netherlands and the Soviet Union. Libya accounted for roughly 15 per cent of Italy's gas imports and about eight per cent of total gas consumption.

The ENI sources confirmed earlier reports published by an industry journal. ENI and Libya are now negotiating new prices, the ENI sources said, but would not

say what price the Libyans are demanding.

ENI had previously been purchasing 2.5 billion cubic meters a year of Libyan gas and paying \$3.45 per million British thermal units (BTU). In the past, the north African country has called for sharp price increases for natural gas. ENI sources also confirmed that Soviet gas supplies to Italy were recently interrupted, but only temporarily. Italy imports 5.8 billion cubic meters of gas from the Soviets, or 25 per cent of total imports. The source stressed that the Soviet suspension was not abnormal during the winter because of technical problems caused by cold weather. Italy depends on natural gas for about 15 per cent of its total energy needs.

U.S. Federal Board grants Chrysler conditional approval

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP) — The Chrysler loan guarantee board has given conditional approval to the tottering automaker's application for \$400 million more in government loan guarantees. The board's approval came hours after leaders of the United Auto Workers approved a new package of concessions to the cash-short no. 3 automaker. UAW President Douglas A. Fraser called the concessions "the worst economic settlement we have ever made."

But Chrysler chairman Lee A. Iacocca, speaking at the same news conference Wednesday after the board decision, said it was a "super deal."

Nobody in authority is saying what will happen if Chrysler, which received \$800 million in loan guarantees last year, does not win final approval for the loan. But most analysts expect the company would seek protection

from creditors under the federal bankruptcy law.

The loan board said it would soon meet to consider whether to approve a revised loan application that will include a number of conditions set Wednesday by the panel.

The conditions include ratification by UAW members of wage concessions totaling \$622 million and presentation by Chrysler of agreements to convert about \$500 million in outstanding loans and to pay off another \$500 million at 30 cents on the dollar in installment — effectively canceling about \$350 million in debts.

The recovery plan drawn up by the Chrysler management includes a severe cutback in investment, reduction in pay costs, price cuts by suppliers totaling \$72 million and the conversion by creditor banks of half their \$1.100 million loans into preference shares.

BRIEFS

CANBERRA, (AFP) — Sweden and Austria have signed an agreement to avoid double taxation of income moving between the two countries. Some kinds of income may be taxed in full by the country where it originates, for example real estate revenue and business profits. Other types may be taxed only in the country of residence, for example shipping and aircraft sector profits.

ANKARA, (AFP) — Canada has given Turkey military equipment worth \$20 million under an agreement signed here Friday, officials said. The accord covers mainly the supply of spare parts for air force equipment.

BONN, (AFP) — The West German government has decided to resume underwriting some political risks concerning export con-

tracts for Iraq, the economy ministry said Saturday. The guarantees were suspended after the war between Iraq and Iran broke out.

HELSINKI, (AFP) — The Soviet Union wants to buy more food from Finland than has been agreed under the current trade deal, press reports here said Saturday. Finland is unable to sell cereals to the Soviet Union, but would be able to deliver more meat and milk products.

HONG KONG, (AFP) — Magnetic Technology Limited is building a factory to produce video tapes here. The first plant for this purpose in Asia outside Japan. Machinery will be provided by intermagnetics corporation of California.

M.E. development work Bonanza awaits U.S., W. Europe

LONDON, Jan. 17 (R) — This year could be a bonanza for the U.S. and West European contractors seeking Middle East development work, according to the magazine *Middle East Economic Digest* (MEED). But companies from both regions face stiff competition from South Korean firms, "which have won an enviable reputation for completing big, low-technology schemes," and because of a trend to offer more work exclusively to local concerns, the London-based magazine said.

It reported that Arab companies won a bigger share of the Middle East development market last year than the United States and Japan combined. MEED said that "rising nationalistic tendencies and a move towards awarding work to local companies are being recognized by U.S. firms."

According to the magazine figures, Arab companies won \$9.2 billion worth of con-

tracts out of a total \$46.2 billion worth awarded in the region last year.

The U.S. share of the work dropped to \$2.3 billion from \$6.6 billion in 1979, while Japan won contracts worth \$3 billion compared with \$6.8 billion the year before.

The magazine cited as a reason a strong challenge from Asia. Foremost were the South Koreans, winning work valued at \$4.3 billion, up from \$3.7 billion, it said.

But West European countries together won contracts worth \$20.4 billion, almost half the work ordered. France was the most successful country winning work worth \$6.6 billion bolstered by defense contracts, followed by West Germany with \$3 billion.

The magazine said South Korea had earned a reliable reputation building roads and office blocks, but has not cared to tender for high-technology projects such as petrochemical plants.

Pakistan tops list

IMF lending exceeds \$9b

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP) — The International Monetary Fund last year more than tripled, to \$9.144 billion, its lending to the poor countries of the world, according to figures made available Friday. The total for 1979 was about \$2.838 billion.

This year's biggest borrower was Pakistan, which got \$1.62 billion, followed closely by Turkey with \$1.61 billion. Morocco got \$1.04 billion, Bangladesh \$1.03 billion, South Korea \$82.5 million, Sudan \$55 million, the Philippines \$24.6 million and Yugoslavia \$43.7 million.

In 1980, as in 1979, all the money went to what are considered poor countries. The last IMF advances to industrial countries were in 1977 and 1978.

The job of the IMF is to stabilize currencies. A large proportion of the money went to countries hit hard by the rising cost of oil. Without the help of the IMF, and of other lenders taking its lead, they might have been forced into massive devaluations of their currencies — with important political effects, both at home and internationally.

In return for the help, the borrowers promised important changes in domestic policies — often severe restrictions on government spending and imports. Critics of the IMF say these changes can cause hardship and sometimes domestic turmoil. IMF officials feel they cannot risk the funds entrusted to them by the world's wealthier countries without assurances that the borrowers will put their economies into good enough order to assure that they will pay their debts.

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Dutch Guilder (100)	154.00	—	152.10
Egyptian Pound	—	4.40	4.45
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	99.90	90.85
French Franc (100)	73.00	73.00	71.85
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	72.25	73.90
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	42.00
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	8.25	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	35.00	36.00	35.40
Japanese Yen (1,000)	16.40	—	16.55
Jordanian Dinar	—	10.86	10.78
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.29	12.29
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	89.75	89.00
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	82.00	79.15
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	33.70
Philippine Peso (100)	—	—	44.50
Pound Sterling	7.98	8.03	8.02
Qatari Rial (100)	—	91.85	91.80
Singapore Dollar	—	—	1.56
Spanish Pesa (1,000)	—	42.20	42.20
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Directorate of the National Guard, Riyadh	Supply and installation of power generating units at the Guard's camp in Rafha	28/400 401	200	Jan. 31
University of Petroleum and Minerals	Beautification of university buildings (Project No. 29/3/137)	—	—	Feb. 1
Department of Education, Adaj	Maintenance of schools of the area	27/10	100	Jan. 20
" " "	Elevation of the fences of Ahmed Ibn Hanbal primary school in Laila	28/10	50	Jan. 20
Municipality of Abha	Maintenance of roads in Abha	7	800	Jan. 29
" " "	Demolition and removal of rubble, trees and palm trees from Al-Kout road	6	300	Feb. 8
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Middle East

McHenry urges balanced U.S. stand

By Bob Lebling and Fawzi Asaar Washington Bureau

UNITED NATIONS, Jan. 17 — American Ambassador Donald McHenry has urged his successor, Ambassador designate Jeane Kirkpatrick, to develop a balanced understanding of Middle East problems. McHenry, who was guest of honor at a farewell dinner here Thursday hosted by the Arab League, told the gathering of some 70 well-wishers that he had learned much about the Arab world during his tenure as U.N. envoy, and hoped his successor "will understand that there are two sides to Middle East issues."

foreign relations committee's endorsement by a unanimous 16-0 vote.

In his after-dinner remarks, McHenry said he had been "very fortunate" in working with the Arab diplomats at the U.N. "I learned a great deal about the Middle East in the course of my work," he said, "and I reached the conclusion that there are two sides to the story."

McHenry said there were "basic problems" in the Middle East, that the United States should be aware of, "and I don't think that we are."

The U.S. envoy said he looked forward to the day when American policymakers were capable of understanding both sides of the Middle East problem, but he added that he thought that day was far away. The Arab League's U.N. ambassador, Dr. Clovis Maksoud, told the guests that with McHenry's departure, the Arabs would be losing "a good friend at the U.N., despite the fact that

we were often sitting on opposite sides of the debate."

Maksoud praised McHenry for his unpublicized efforts to improve U.S.-Arab relations. "The U.S. has interests and friendships in our region," Maksoud noted. "If the U.S. doesn't use its brain to cultivate these relationships, then it will damage its own interests."

The Arab League envoy also commended McHenry for his role during the recent U.N. hunger strike of West Bank mayors Muhammad Milhem and Fahd Kawasmeh.

The farewell dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel was attended by Arab and non-Arab diplomats, prominent U.S. news media personalities and other well-known figures.

Meanwhile, Palestinian sources at the U.N. said they expected that ambassador-designate Kirkpatrick would take a rough, anti-Palestinian line when she assumes her U.N. post next week. Kirkpatrick was planning to actively oppose the involvement of the Palestine Liberation Organization in various U.N. activities, including meetings of the Security Council, the sources said.

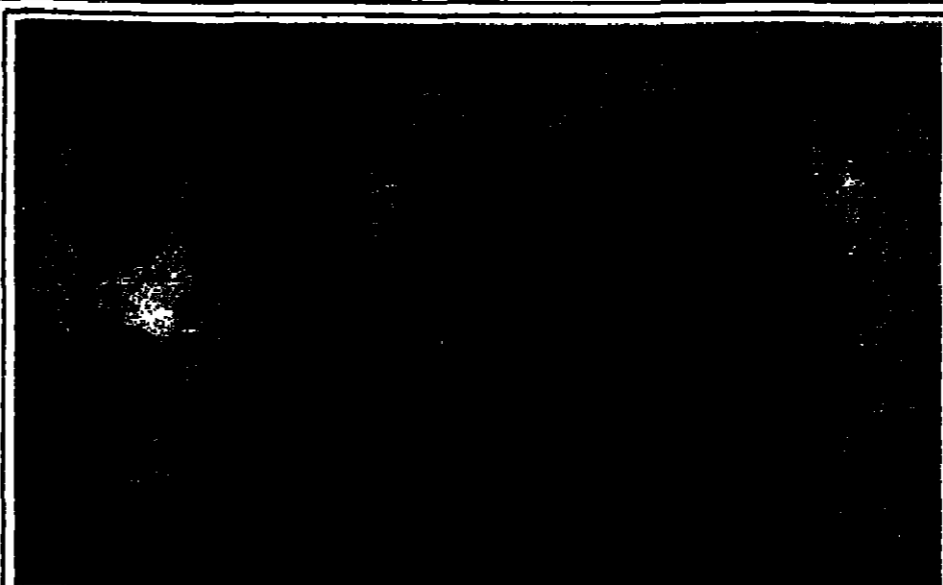
French fleet on standby for Chad mission

TOULON, France, Jan. 17 (Agencies) — The French Mediterranean Fleet was on standby for rapid deployment Friday but there were no signs of an imminent naval move in the dispute over Libya's plans to merge with Chad. Sources at naval headquarters in Toulon, said an order for all ships to be prepared to leave on 48 hours' notice was extended indefinitely.

In Paris, the defense ministry maintained silence on developments except to repeat that the French government had ordered a military buildup in Africa. The ministry said it had noted that African leaders meeting this week in Lome, Togo, had called on Libya to withdraw its forces from Chad.

Residents of Toulon, France's largest naval base, said no warships of the Mediterranean Fleet appeared about to depart. Crewmen were allowed local shore leave but no long-term home leave was being granted.

Naval sources said the aircraft carrier *Clemenceau*, largest ship in the fleet, completed repairs Thursday and was now ready to take on its crusader and super Etendard planes. The fleet includes the anti-aircraft cruiser *Colbert*, two missile-launching frigates, a dozen destroyers, an equal number of submarines and an unspecified number of support vessels.



APPLAUSE FOR SHAKAA: Nabhas Mayor Bassam Shakaa, who lost both legs in an assassination attempt in June, gets a standing ovation as he walks on his new artificial legs at the end of a meeting with striking West Bank teachers last week. Shakaa recently returned from medical treatment in Britain.

Mali expels Libyan diplomats

BAMAKO, Jan. 17 (Agencies) — The West African state of Mali has announced it was expelling all Libyan diplomats from the country — the fourth nation in the region to expel Libyan envoys since the beginning of the year. An official statement said the transformation of the Libyan embassy in Bamako into a people's bureau did not conform with international rules on diplomatic relations.

Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi had already upset the Malian government by calling on Tuareg tribesmen in Mali and Niger to

revolt against their governments. In Upper Volta, foreign Minister Felix Tientaraboum condemned the Libyan decision to change its embassy without consultation with the government. He said any unilateral act would have "extremely regrettable consequences" for relations between the two countries.

Libyan diplomats have recently been expelled from the Central African Republic, Gambia, Ghana, Mauritania, Nigeria, Senegal, and Niger.

Libyan embassy shelled in Beirut

BEIRUT, Jan. 17 (AFP) — The Libyan "people's bureau" (embassy) here was badly damaged by four shells fired at it Friday night. Responsibility for the attack was claimed by an anonymous spokesman for the "supporters of the Shiite Imam Moussa Sadr," according to several newspapers Saturday.

The incident followed a call Friday by the Shiite Amal movement for Lebanon to break off diplomatic relations with Libya as the "minimum step possible" in the affair of the Imam, who disappeared in August 1978 while on a visit to Libya. Tripoli has denied Shiite accusations that it is holding him prisoner and says he left the country.

Egypt to receive U.S. M-60 tanks

CAIRO, Jan. 17 (AFP) — Egypt is to receive the first of 350 M-60 tanks from the United States within the next few days, the semi-official daily *Al-Akram* reported Saturday.

34 M-60's, a month until the order is complete, *Al-Akram* said.

The paper added that under another arms agreement between Cairo and Washington, 200 other armored vehicles out of a total of 800 will be supplied this summer and F-16 fighters will be delivered early next year.

Soviet embassy a 'spying nest,' Cairo editor says

CAIRO, Jan. 17 (AFP) — The Soviet embassy in Cairo has become a "nest of spies" and the 500 staff are KGB agents, Anis Mansour, editor of the weekly *October* and a close friend of President Anwar Sadat wrote here Saturday. Mansour also accused other Eastern bloc missions of gathering information on Egypt for the Soviet Union.

The charges follow the expulsion of the embassy's deputy military attache Vladimir Sumbsov, and Uri Marshenko, a diplomat in the commercial section, on Jan. 12. Marshenko was accused of contacting an Egyptian "sleeping" agent for reports on parliament meetings in a bid to discover the real objectives of former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's recent visit to Cairo.

Begin cabinet to decide on election today

TEL AVIV, Jan. 17 (AP) — Prime Minister Menahem Begin's Likud Party was split Friday over whether to advance general elections from November to this summer and left the decision up to Begin's coalition cabinet. Begin said after a party caucus his government would decide Sunday. He declined to answer further questions.

Begin lost his parliamentary majority last week when Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz resigned and pulled out his three-man Rafi Party from the ruling coalition. By calling early elections, Begin would forestall opposition bids to oust his government with a motion of no confidence. The coalition now commands 58 or 59 seats in the 120-member Knesset.

Yakim Kaufman, Likud chairman in the Knesset, said roughly half of those in the caucus favored advancing the election date to June or July, and Begin refused to influence his party either way. Begin is known to favor early elections because of the threatened defection of another coalition party, the Democratic Movement, if the government tries to continue until November.

Begin could survive until his term ends with the support of independent splinter groups, but only if the democrats agree not to bolt.

The National Party and the Agudat Israel Party, the others comprising the four-party coalition, also favor moving elections forward, but neither has taken a formal position.

BRIEFS

TEL AVIV, (R) — A fresh round of talks on Palestinian autonomy ended Friday with no date set for a resumption as the American, Egyptian and Israeli negotiators awaited the change of the U.S. administration Tuesday.

CAIRO, (AP) — Vice-President Hosni Mubarak has been quoted as denying a Kuwaiti newspaper report that he met in London recently with an Arab ruler to pave the way for Egypt's return to the Arab fold. Arab countries, with the exception of Sudan, Somalia and Oman, have broken off relations with Egypt following the signing of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty in March 1979.

UNITED NATIONS, (AP) — The United Nations personnel director has ordered trips to U.N. subsidiaries in Beirut and Santiago, Chile, to look into charges of irregular personal practices, a spokesman has announced.

NICOSIA, (R) — Talks between Greek and Turkish communities in Cyprus which resumed in Nicosia Friday are "at a sensitive stage", United Nations special representative Hugo Gobbli told journalists. Gobbli said there had been new developments but did not elaborate.

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 ♠ KJ
 ♥ KQ74
 ♦ AK7
 ♣ 9643

WEST
 ♠ A10743
 ♥ A5
 ♦ J842
 ♣ Q102

EAST
 ♠ 8652
 ♥ 62
 ♦ Q93
 ♣ AK87

SOUTH
 ♠ Q9
 ♥ AJ10983
 ♦ 1065
 ♣ J5

The bidding:
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 Pass 1NT Pass 4♥

Opening lead — two of clubs.

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East wins the club with the king and continues with the ace, South producing first the five and then the jack. Too late, East realizes that his partner led from the Q-10-2 and shifts to a diamond, but the damage is already done. A few tricks later, South ruffs dummy's six of clubs, felling West's queen and making dummy's nine of clubs a trick, and declarer brings the contract safely home.

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Your Individual Horoscope
 Frances Drake
 FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 1981

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth Sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)
 Visits with serious-minded friends benefit you career-wise. But you may run into some difficulty with close ties later.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)
 Time spent on work projects pays off in the a.m. Later, you're easily misunderstood by others. Avoid controversial topics.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
 A mixed day for romance and leisure-time activities. Morning hours bring benefits which may be hard to sustain later. Watch spending.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
 Your thoughts are good in regard to domestic affairs, but you may have trouble convincing others. Children may act up in the p.m.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)
 Everything goes smoothly with close ties, then things deteriorate. Perhaps something you say is misunderstood by others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
 Work projects go well, but friends are frankly a pain in the neck at present. An argument, once begun, continues endlessly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
 Activities with children are favored, but there still may be some domestic tension. Don't mix business with pleasure at present.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
 Mental projects go well in an atmosphere of peace and quiet in the a.m. Later, others may draw you into a controversial discussion.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
 Keep money out of your talks with friends. Someone is still sore about a financial issue. Unfortunately, the subject now comes up again.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
 At this time it's best not to discuss career matters with those close to you. Your thoughts are excellent, but others are slow to understand.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
 Religion and philosophy are your spirits, but one close to you may be feeling under par. You'd do well to protect your health, too.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
 Opt for peace and quiet now and you'll accomplish a lot. Romance is iffy at present. Someone's bad mood may well spoil a date.

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Crossword
 by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Nonsense
 5 Kind of energy
 10 Turkish regiment
 11 Knit
 12 Denomination
 13 Grow incisors
 14 Knightly title
 15 Spread for drying
 16 Indian cymbals
 17 Hockey players (sl.)
 19 Old (Ger.)
 20 Knotts or Adams
 21 College in Oregon
 22 — free
 23 Keep — on poetry
 25 Turnout
 26 Cross out
 27 Gary of golf
 30 Building wing
 31 Wholly item
 33 Word with hammer
 35 Dress

DOWN

1 Baimondi and Pliaka, e.g.
 2 Fatty acid
 3 Cardinals' group
 4 Snite
 5 Accelerated
 6 Corrida cry
 7 Nursery rhyme type
 8 Faithful friend
 9 Whirled
 11 British gun
 15 Shelter
 18 Big game
 19 Tilled land
 22 School book
 23 Lofy
 24 Anc. Mesopotamian city
 27 Extrate
 28 Expanse
 29 Was ramp
 31 Indian city
 34 Urge payment
 35 Scion

Yesterday's Answer

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VOA		BBC	
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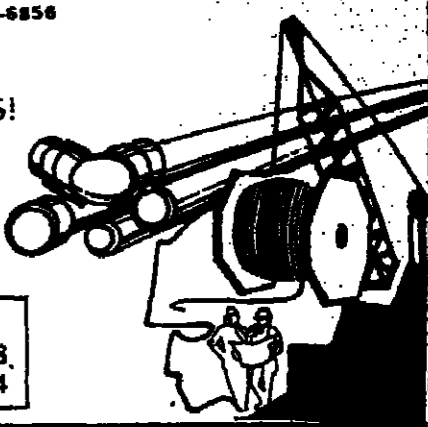
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Summit agenda getting ready

Conference will succeed, ministers say

TAIF, Jan. 17 (SPA) — As the conference of Islamic foreign ministers opened here Saturday to prepare the agenda for the summit, several ministers expressed the hope the conference would be a great success and would produce positive results in the service of Islam and Muslims and the realization of their goals.

Muhammad Mirghani of Sudan said it was "high time for the Muslims to unite." He said his country will submit a few "new ideas in the service of the Islamic nation."

Tunisia will submit a working paper prepared by the Jerusalem Committee which was appointed by the conference under the leadership of King Hassan of Morocco, according to Muhammad Bouceta, the foreign minister. "There are other proposals," he said, "and ideas relating to the Iraqi-Iranian war in the Gulf." He said the conference would work to stop the war and hoped that the conference would be a success and would face up to the problems and challenges that beset Muslims.

Niger's Foreign Minister Dawood Jallou said the conference would discuss the problems that concern the Muslims. "It is a joy for the Muslim leaders to meet in this holy land," he said. His country was hopeful that the conference would lead to greater Islamic solidarity, "especially at this time of increasing challenges."

Iraq's Foreign Minister Saddam Hammadi said the Summit "is an important occasion because it truly represents the Islamic world." The conference was expected to take positive action to strengthen the Organization of the Islamic Conference economically, politically, and culturally. His government would play a positive role in solving the economic and political problems of the Islamic world, he said.

The conference should not be confined to the political aspects alone but must plan to spread the Islamic culture and principles and look after the Muslims wherever they may be. Asked about the Iraqi-Iranian conflict, Hammadi said the conference was the right place to discuss the whole ramifications of the dispute because Muslims must know the truth and hear all points of views. His government would also submit a number of proposals concerning political matters and Islamic solidarity.

There are a number of common interests which the Muslims share together," he said. "These should be the basis for economic,



Muhammad Bouceta

political, social and religious cooperation to raise the standards of Muslims." He said his government welcomed the establishment of an Islamic international court of justice and any other organization that would serve Muslims.

Somalia's Foreign Minister Abdul Rahman Jama Barre said his government would submit a working paper for the welfare of Muslims. The conference would also discuss the liberation of Jerusalem and the right of self-determination to the Palestinian people.

Shams Ul-Haq of Bangladesh said the conference was a great "symbol" because it represented the unity of Muslims all over the world. He wished it success and expected the resolutions to be effective and constructive.

The Minister for Religious Affairs in Guinea said the conference would cement Islamic solidarity and turn Muslims into a united force to enable them to utilize their resources better.

Indonesia's Foreign Minister Mokhtar Kusumi said his country pinned great hopes on the conference under the auspices of Saudi Arabia. "The conference is important specially in that it is being held in the present circumstances, including the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan." His country would contribute positively to the solution of a number of economic problems and the prosperity of the Islamic world.

Holding the conference in Saudi Arabia and next to the Holy mosque in Mecca will give it added importance according to Interior Minister of Djibouti Idriss Farah who represents his country. Farah said Saudi Arabia was well-known for its unifying efforts and dedication to Islamic solidarity and the conference would lead to positive results in further cementing inter-Islamic ties.

It is coming at the right time," he said adding that the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan and the Iraq-Iranian war and the



Saddam Hammadi

Zionist occupation of Jerusalem would form the crux of the summit agenda.

The conference was an important political gathering, he said and hoped that it would come out with significant results concerning the Arab and Islamic peoples' struggle. His delegation has no particular working papers but some ideas which will be submitted to the conference.

Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abu Yamani said the summit was a joint effort and not merely the result of Saudi Arabia's planning and execution. He told the Lebanese newspaper *Al-Awsat* that the leaders would discuss a number of working papers concerning commercial, economic and cultural cooperation which will be a realistic translation of Islamic solidarity.

He said Saudi Arabia was striving to solve inter-Arab problems and would continue to do so. Saudi Arabia is a member of the special good office committee formed by the last Arab summit in Jordan, together with Algeria and the Arab League.

Saddam rules out impact on fighting

U.S. arming of Iran

KUWAIT, Jan. 17 (AP) — President Saddam Hussein of Iraq says he will not be intimidated if the United States resumes arms supplies to Iran as a result of an early release of the 52 American hostages.

"This is a purely American problem," Hussein said in an interview published Saturday by Kuwait's daily newspapers. "We know that Iran acquired American arms during the war from private markets outside the United States."

Hussein pronounced Iran's two-week counter-offensive "totally crushed" and said Iraqi positions in war-conquered western and southwestern Iran have been greatly improved as a result of the ill-fated offensive.

Hussein said Iraq lines were now as deep as 110 km inside Iran, adding: "We are now in firmer positions to inflict heavier losses on the

enemy than we were since the first three weeks of the war."

In Tehran, Iranian Prime Minister Muhammad Ali Rajai warned his countrymen Saturday to prepare for a "prolonged war" with Iraq and said 118 days of fighting so far had turned 1.5 million Iranians into "homeless, jobless refugees."

Rajai's statement was broadcast a few hours after U.N. special envoy Olof Palme arrived in Tehran on a new mission aimed at bringing Iran and Iraq to the peace table.

Palme warned that the Gulf war threatens to spill over to other regions and invite superpower intervention. But Rajai's stress on preparations for prolonged warfare appeared to undermine Palme's chances of arranging a ceasefire.

Bid to heal rift

African leaders confer

KAMPALA, Jan. 17 (AP) — Four presidents from east and central Africa met Saturday to review their mutual trade problems and try to repair the damage to regional cooperation caused by the rule of Idi Amin.

Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia, Julius Nyerere of Tanzania and Daniel Arap Moi of Kenya flew in to confer with Milton Obote, elected president of Uganda a month ago.

The one-day session represented the most determined efforts in 10 years to heal political bitterness in a region including more than one-tenth of Africa's 450 million people.

Diplomatic sources said they expected no detailed agreements to emerge but that the meeting could lead to specific measures

within the next few weeks.

Kenya opened its first diplomatic mission in Uganda Friday. All four countries became independent from Britain in the early 1960s. A political federation seemed likely among Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. The drive for union faltered but the East African Community was created as an early experiment in a common market, with a parliament and common transport, rail and communications services.

Zambia, partly dependent on Tanzania and Kenya for trade routes to the Indian Ocean, was a close partner and contemplated membership in the community.

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Meanwhile, U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim was quoted as saying the summit was an important event "because of its timing and the number of states taking part in it. The spokesman said that Waldheim, who has been invited to attend, will take the opportunity to meet a number of heads of state.

The Israeli occupations of the holy city of Jerusalem, the Iraqi-Iranian conflict, the Soviet invasion and occupation of Afghanistan are major topics for discussion before the summit.

"It will also discuss an economic strategy paper for Islamic cooperation. The paper was drawn up during the Islamic economy conference which was held in Ankara. It is expected that agencies will be set up to promote economic, cultural, social, and financial cooperation among the member states.

The main topics, include:

- 1 - Basic matters:
 - Amending the charter of the Organization of Islamic Conference;
 - Preparing the Mecca Declaration;
 - Altering the emblem of the organization;
- 2 - Political matters:
 - Jerusalem, the Jerusalem Committee plan, a document on Jerusalem, enhancing the Jerusalem Fund, Palestine, the Middle East; question, the Iraqi-Iranian conflict, Afghanistan, a media plan.
- 3 - Economic and financial matters:
 - Cooperation among member states;
 - Developing commercial relations and cooperation;
 - Establishing the Islamic center for the promotion of trade in Tangier;
 - Studying a report on encouraging, protecting and guaranteeing investments in the member states;
 - Setting up an association of shipowners in Jeddah;
 - Studying a report on the financial and administrative status of the organization.
- 4 - Cultural and Social matters:
 - Studying a proposed declaration of human rights in Islam;
 - Expanding the Islamic Solidarity Fund;
 - Setting up an Islamic emergency aid organization;
 - Promoting the Islamic organization for science and technology; and
 - Studying the problems of the African Sahel.

In another development Pakistani presi-

dent Zia ul-Haq arrived Saturday in Bahrain to pursue his Gulf-wide efforts for finding a common position on major issues — including the Iraq-Iran war, the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan and the Israeli annexation of Jerusalem — to be discussed by the Islamic summit.

The Pakistani ambassador to Bahrain, Hakim Ahsan, said the question of Jerusalem and "Palestinian rights" will be foremost on the Summit agenda. "Jerusalem must return to Islamic sovereignty," he said. "Pakistan has been spearheading diplomatic action on this issue both inside and outside the United Nations."

Marcos

elite to achieve national greatness. It was on Sept. 21, 1972 that the president imposed martial law in the country through a proclamation. He later issued another proclamation on Dec. 17, 1973 which declared the continuation of martial law. Subsequently, Jan 17 was proclaimed constitution day to commemorate the 1973 constitution. That Marcos is revoking both martial law proclamations on this day gives added significance to his avowed commitment to the rule of law.

Aside from revoking the two proclamations, the termination of martial law also repealed the general order creating the military tribunals. But the foremost effect of the lifting is the restoration of the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus which is the right of prisoners to challenge their detainment.

Marcos said the writ would be restored in all areas except part of Mindanao where, he said, the residents of the Muslim populated autonomous region IX and XII have requested for the continued suspension of the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus.

The proclamation which ends martial law, provides, however, that in all other areas the suspension of the privilege of the writ shall continue with respect to persons at present detained as well as others who may hereafter be similarly detained for the crimes of insurrection or rebellion, subversion, conspiracy or proposal to commit such crimes and for all other crimes and offenses committed by them in furtherance or on the occasion thereof or incident thereto or in connection therewith.

There have been continuing clashes between government troops and Muslim rebels and the Communist New People's Army in the southern island of Mindanao.

El Salvador alerts troops to meet guerrilla upsurge

SAN SALVADOR, Jan. 17 (R) — Government troops appear to have quelled a week-long offensive by leftist guerrillas in El Salvador, but were ordered Saturday on full alert for any upsurge of violence this weekend.

Troops patrolled the capital's empty streets in strength early Saturday at the start of an overnight curfew. San Salvador was tense after guerrillas dashed with the army around government buildings and a nearby bank was badly damaged by a bomb.

The government and diplomats agree that the insurgents seem to have failed in their offensive. But authorities say the guerrillas, angered by the renewal of U.S. military aid to the government, could try to stage a major onslaught in the next few days to coincide with Ronald Reagan's entry into the White House next Tuesday. "The guerrillas will probably want to show Reagan that they are not a spent force," one informed source said.

Meanwhile, rumors swept San Salvador that a clandestine radio station had announced an imminent second guerrilla onslaught and supermarkets were packed with people buying enough food for the weekend.

The U.S. aid, comprising \$5 million in non-lethal military equipment and two helicopters, was restored after the United States said the insurgents are getting help from abroad, particularly neighboring Nicaragua, which has denied involvement. It was suspended last December after three

American nuns and a missionary were killed near San Salvador airport.

The United States is committed to supporting the civilian-military junta and the aid renewal prompted Americans in leftist Nicaragua to occupy the U.S. embassy there Friday. Also the Salvadorean ambassador in Nicaragua and his staff of six resigned and defected to join the leftwing guerrillas.

An army colonel in El Salvador said about 45 soldiers had died since the guerrillas' self-proclaimed final offensive began last Saturday. Informed sources put the guerrilla casualties at almost 1,000. Journalists who accompanied President Jose Napoleon Duarte on a visit to Santa Ana, 67 kms northwest of San Salvador, saw few signs of conflict and life in the town appeared normal. Santa Ana was the scene of fierce fighting earlier this week.

In the neighboring Guatemala City, the mayor of a small town was shot dead Friday in a hospital where he was recovering after an attempt on his life last week, police said.

They said gunmen overpowered an armed guard outside his hospital room and killed Jose Luis Romero, mayor of San Pedro Zacatepeque on the Mexican border. Romero was the third Guatemalan mayor killed in the past three weeks in an upsurge of guerrilla violence coinciding with an anti-government offensive in neighboring El Salvador. A leftist guerrilla group claimed responsibility for the two previous killings.

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